Westfield State Athletics
(part 5)

1973 - 1979

Bob Farr
Class of 1955

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ROBERT L. RANDOLPH
1973 - 1978

Hockey At WSC

by Joe Agnelli, Jr.

A new addition to the WSC sports scene has come into existence recently, with the advent of ice hockey. The first practice for the club took place on Monday, October 29 at the Willaston Academy Arena in Easthampton. Approximately thirty-five boys participated in this first session, and acting coach Tom Rodgers feels that this club could develop into a varsity sport by next year because of the interest and the many experienced players. Each member hopes that this will be a dream come true at Westfield. So Watch Out, Bruins!!

New Class Cross Country Skiing for Beginners

1 credit
T&Th 2&3 per,
1st 4 weeks of sem.

Equipment and Clothing Selection

Waxing

Basic Techniques

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1973-1974

Bogan Commands Pool

Students returnmg to WSC in the ninety degree weather on Tuesday, September 4th were disappointed. Many were looking forward to enjoying the "olympic-size" swimming pool, adjacent to the Student Union. They looked yearningly into the confines of the new building as the pool, with its one and three meter diving boards, and its spectator compartment lay in somber darkness.

Why the delay?

Mr. Paul Bogan (chairman of the Athletic Dept. and director of the pool) explained the situation. He commented that the swimming pool has to be referred from the Bureau of Building Construction (BBC) to the college before it can open. The BBC has to approve the pool first. The pool has not been approved as of yet because of faulty construction.

"There are leaks in the pool that have to be repaired," Mr. Bogan stated. "First of all, we need maintenance not only for the pool, but for the locker rooms as well."

Mr. Ford, of the Student Union stated that the college needs a licensed person to operate the massive filter system. Mr. Bogan said that a man has been hired, but [illegible] with which to pay him. He also has a list of students requesting lifeguard positions, but again, funds are limited. Lack of funds is not the reason for the delay; beaurocratic red tape is.

"I sent three letters to the President listing things needed for the pool," stated Mr. Bogan, "which we don't have as of yet, not even the safety equipment."

Mr. Bogan revealed a list of priorities for the pool which included classes, the Athletic Department, recreational activities, and the local community. It also stated that a survey will be distributed to students, asking when they want to use the pool.

"This way, we can see if the students want it open evenings and weekends," stated Mr. Bogan. "If they don't, then funds will not be wasted on staff."

The regular hours for the pool will be Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 4:30. Classes will be conducted during this time. There may be a free swim period from 12:30 to 1:30.

As stated earlier, there are some poorly constructed areas in the building. The first concerns the pool itself. The materials used in construction were inferior to the materials requested. Ceramic tiles are generally used, but in order to save approximately seventeen thousand dollars, a less expensive material, marsite, was used.

"The marsite may be more expensive in the long run," commented Mr. Bogan, "because it tends to crack. It has to remain wet at all times, including when the pool is drained for scrubbing."

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MR. PAUL BOGAN

Ground Broken For New Field

by Ed Healey

Ground was broken in midsummer for the new track and playing field to be located next to the Stanley Home Products building. The field is to be 370' x 240' surrounded by a quarter mile track. The field is being constructed on 32 acres of college property, the remainder of which will be developed into a baseball field, an area for field hockey, and also space for intramural and practice fields.

The track and field will be composed of synthetic astroturf produced by the Monsanto Company. Astroturf will allow for greater utilization for it can withstand any amount of traffic. Although the field will not be enclosed, it will still be available for use in the winter. Snow can be removed from the field providing that specialized plowing equipment is used. The complex will also be equipped with a unique single drainage system for both the track and field. Although the space is available, due to a lack of funds, there will be no stands for spectators.

The grading of the field and the drainage system will be completed before winter, but the astroturf will not be installed until Spring. The track and field should be available for use sometime in midsummer.

1973-1974

Field Hockey Scrimmage Thurs. 9/20 3:00

Cross Country

by Jim Styles

This year's cross-country team has been working in preparation for their upcoming season. Coach Gerald Gravel had had his men running approximately seventy miles a week for what he hopes to be a successful season.

The varsity team is captained by Senior Ron Manley, an "ace" miler from Palmer, and Junior Bob "Bobo" Danehy from Braintree, who holds the school record for five miles. The Owls, who only lost one meet last year (to Vermont U.), are paced by veteran runners Gene "Frenchy" Baker, Jeff Sharpe, Jim Richards, Bill Gullota, Bill Chapman, and Jim Stygles. Coach Gravel will look to freshmen Scott Spellman, Kevin Dalton, Joe Spitz, and Brian Pularski to make a significant contribution to the program.

WSC will open its season September 29, hosting Keene State and Johnson State in a triple meet.

Alumni Game

Saturday September seventh, the Alumni soccer vs. Varsity Game took place. In the end the Varsity emerged victorious by a 4-2 margin. The hard fought contest saw Joe Kelly and Jack Vilaca score for the alumni and Bill Lownds, Chris Moukas, Allie Goncalves and John Amaral for the undergraduates.

Fall Tennis Schedule

WESTFIELD TENNIS
1973 SCHEDULE

Coach: Larry French
Sept. 13 Worcester State Home
19 Bridgewater State Home
22 Lowell State Away
27 Framingham State Home
Oct. 2 Fitchburg State Home
5 Salem State Home
8 North Adams State Home
10 Worcester State Away
12-13 State College [illegible] Worcester

Soccer Roster

Westfield Soccer
1973 Roster

Name	Class	Pos.
Michael Duffy	74	B
Michael Walker	75	G
William Lownds	75	F
Bino Goncalles	75	F
Michael Lodigiani	76	F
Michael Andrukonis	76	F
Steve Mancini	76	B
Carl Steele	76	B
Rex Stevens	76	F
Raymond Peetz	75	B
Chris Moukas	75	F
William Sorrenson	77	B
Dennis Dugas	76	F
Dennis Laprade	76	B
Michael Fillion	75	F
Paul Whalley	75	B
Ken McCarron	74	B
William Lyon	77	F
Alli Goncalles	77	F
William Sweeney	75	G
Scott Porter	77	F
Michael LeFuer	77	B
John Amaral	77	F
Manny DaCrusz	77	B
David MacLoed	77	B
Gary Rodriques	77	B
Elido Mateus	77	B

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NOVEMBER
2nd — The Lost Man
Easy Street
9th — Splender in the Grass
Good Old Corn
16th — Auntie Mame
The Floor Walker
30th — Slaughterhouse-Five
Wife and Auto Trouble
DECEMBER
7th — Ulzana's Raid
Keystone Hotel
14th — You'll Like My Mother
The Desperate Scoundrel

Outlook For WSC Soccer

This year's edition of the school soccer team has a very bright disposition. Coach John Kurty says that his team was hurt by graduation, especially with Jack Valaca in this category, but there are many freshman who will capably fill the vacant spots.

The defense seems to stand out as the team's strongest asset, with Junior Mike Walker guarding the cage. The offense should also pose a threat to opposing teams. Forwards Dennis Dugas and Bill Lownds, along with the Goncalles brothers, Bino and Alli, will be the sparks to the squad's scoring power. Another member of the team, Chris Moukas, is an exchange student from Greece and an experienced soccer player. He should also contribute to the effort.

So, all in all, the student body can expect a fine season from its soccer team.

Soccer Schedule

Westfield State College
Varsity Soccer
Schedule 1973

September 18, Tuesday, Central Connecticut ** 3:00
22, Saturday, At AIC **, 11:00
24, Monday, At Boston State *, 3:00
29, Saturday, Johnson, 2:00
October 1, Monday, At Worcester State *, 3:00
3, Wednesday, At Nichols **, 3:00
5, Friday, At Framingham *, 3:00
7, Sunday, Nasson **, 2:00
10, Wednesday, At Lowell State *, 3:30
13, Saturday, Springfield **, 11:00
17, Wednesday, At North Adams*, 3:00
18, Thursday, At Fitchburg *, 3:00
20, Saturday, Castleton, 2:00
24, Wednesday, At Eastern Connecticut, 3:00
26, Friday, Salem *, 3:30
29, Monday, At New Paltz, 2:00
31, Wednesday, At Western New England **, 2:30
November 3, Saturday, At Quinnipiac **, 2:00

*Massachusetts State College Conference Games
**New England College Conference Games

1973 SPORTS

"Johnny and Janie Jock" have returned to the Westfield State campus, and bring with them a full schedule of fall sports. They both say that this is THE YEAR.

The soccer, baseball, cross country, and men's tennis teams are all raring to go, as well as the girl's tennis and field hockey squads. Each coach feels totally confident in his/her team and we wish for them the best of luck furing the season.

Tennis Roster

1973 ROSTER

NAME	CLASS
John Morizio	75
George Cretecos	75
Ziggy Sieczkowski	75
Steve Hiersche	74
Tom Quesnel	76
Tom Damalakus	74
Sam Siano	75
Tony Delaporto	77
Mike Kelly	77

All-Star Team

WSC BASEBALL STARS DOMINATE LIST

Five members of the Westfield State Baseball team were recently selected to the Massachusetts State Conference All-Star Team by the vote of the league coaches. The athletes chosen were: Bob Kallstrom, first base; Bob McCarthy, third base; John Pananos, outfield; Carl Steele, outfield; and Bob Harrison, pitcher. It was also noted that coaches could not vote for their own players.

A most impressive fact to realize is that ten players were selected to the team, and WSC placed five of these ten positions. It is quite an accomplishment and they are all to be congratulated.

Baseball Schedule

WESTFIELD BASEBALL
1973 Fall Schedule

Sept. 15 Oneonta State (2) Away 1:00
16 Hartwick (2) Away 11:00
19 North Adams (2) Away 3:00
22 New Platz (2) Home 12:00
26 Albany State Away 1:00
29 Eastern Conn. (2) Away 1:00
30 Western Conn. (2) Home 1:00
Oct. 3 Univ. of Mass. Away 3:15
6 Springfield Away 9:30
7 Framingham (2) Away 1:00
10 Springfield Away 3:00

Coach: Mr. Ken Ralph
Co-Captains: Bob McCarthy
Don Blasioli

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SPORTS

WSC Cops First Three

by Joe Agnelli, Ed.

WESTFIELD-2, CENTRAL CONN.-1

The WSC soccer team opened its 1973 season against Central Connecticut State College at home on September 18, and came out on top, 2-1... Mike Andrukonis scored the first goal of the year in the first half. Allie Goncalves notched his first score later before the New Britain team spoiled the shutout.

WSC-7, AIC-0

A powerful Owl offense and stable defense proved no match for the AIC Yellow Jackets on September 22 as WSC romped to a 7-0 victory in Springfield.

Right from the start AIC was outclassed as Allie Goncalves tallied at the 14-minute mark, assisted by John Amaral. He scored again twelve minutes later on a penalty kick to make it 2-0 at halftime.

In the second stanza, the Owls really went to work and poked home five goals to turn the game into a rout. Carl Steele made it 3-0 at 6:02 and Johnny Amaral tallied twice within ten minutes to widen the margin. Westfield's sixth goal was a product of Chris Moukas, as he faked out AIC goalie, John Cartwright. Mike Fillion finished the scoring with four minutes remaining, on an assist from Andrukonis.

Mike Walker, along with last minute help from Bob Dolan, recorded his first shutout of the season. Defensive standouts in the game were Carl Steele, Mike Duffy, Paul Whalley, and Steve Mancini.

WSC-5, BOSTON STATE-3

On Monday, September 24, the team hosted Boston State College in what turned out to be a very exciting contest. The Owls triumphed, 5-3.

The game was just three minutes old when Ken McCarron headed the ball past BSC goalie, Len Markakis, for the initial score. At the 15-minute mark, Chris Moukas tallied, with the assist going to Bino Goncalves.

The Owls let up a little after this and Boston tied the score at 2-2. The goals were by Greg Mihilaidas, on a penalty kick, and Ross Zagami at the 30-minute point.

Westfield pulled ahead just before the half on what can be considered a picture play. On a rush into the BSC zone, Billy Lownds made a sensational save of a ball headed out of bounds. The ball dribbled to John Amaral, who took it in and centered a perfect pass across to Bino Goncalves, streaking down left wing; and he easily beat the BSC goalie.

Following intermission, Boston began a strong offense and soon connected for their third goal. Mihailidas scored his second goal of the game, unassisted at 8:44.

This was all the Owls needed to get back into the game. The defense stiffened and the offense went to work. Johnny Amaral and Bill Lownds each had glittering chances, but were denied by the BSC defense. At the 26-minute mark, Allie Goncalves drilled a hard shot into the corner of the net to regain the lead. Elido Mateus assisted. Ten minutes later, John Amaral finally tallied, assisted by Bino, to make the final score 5-3.

On the whole, it was the stronger team who won. Goalie Mike Walker did a standout job, coming up with 26 saves. Other workhorses were Carl Steele, Gary Rodrigues, and Mike Duffy.

Field Hockey

by Leslie Hines
and Jeanne Miller

Westfield State's Field Hockey Team recently scrimmaged against Springfield College, losing 10-0. As Coach Barbara Hart put it, "the game was a learning experience". It apparently was, they did learn a lesson, because on September 26 they beat the alumni team 1-0 in the "Oldies vs. Goodies" game. The team consists of: Right Inners Shelley Palmer, Gail Kutowski, Marnie Morrison; Right Wing Sally Orne; Left Inners Nancy Slowikosk, Pat Owen; Left Wings Sylvia Raduazo, Donna Mannello; Right Halfbacks Cathy Gibbons, Martha McDonald, Nancy Beauregard; Left Halfback Donna Guiffre; Right Fullback Holly Garvey; Left Fullbacks Dianne Brennan, Anne Kimball; Center Halfback Sue Morrissey; Center Fullback Janet Rushton; Goalies Sharon Carlson, Sue Hirsh; and Manager Kate O'Brien. The team's first official game is at 3:30, October 9 against Western Conn. at home.

Cross Country Schedule

1973 SCHEDULE

Coach: Mr. Gerald Gravel

Oct. 7 - Brandeis U./E. Conn. U./ Suffolk U. at Waltham 1:00. 13 - So. Conn. U./New Haven - Home 2:00. 20 - Cod Fish Bowl at Boston 2:00. 27 - Albany St. Invitational at Albany, N.Y. 10:00. 31 - Mass. St. College Conference Championship at Boston 4:00.

Nov. 5 - N.E. Championship at Boston 1:00. 12 - IC-4A Championship at N.Y.C. 12:00.

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Girl's Sports

1973-74 Varsity Schedules

Field Hockey - Miss Barbara Hart

Oct. 8	Western Conn.	H	3:30
Oct. 11	Framingham State	H	3:30
Oct. 18	Cent. Conn.	H	3:00
Oct. 16	Mt. Holyoke	H	3:30
Oct. 23	Hartwick	H	3:00
Oct. 25	U. Conn.	A	3:30
Oct. 30	Jackson	A	3:30

Tennis

Oct. 1	Western Conn.	A	3:30
Oct. 3	Bridgewater	A	3:00
Oct. 9	A.I.C.	A	3:30
Oct. 11	U. Mass.	H	3:30
Oct. 16	Mt. Holyoke	H	3:00
Oct. 18	Cent. Conn.	H	3:00
Oct. 23	Albany	A	3:00
Oct. 25	No. Eastern	H	3:00
Oct. 30	Jackson	A	3:30

Volleyball - Miss Carol Vermillion

Oct. 8	Springfield	H	6:30
Oct. 10	U. Mass.	A	6:30
Nov. 1	Smith	A	7:00
Nov. 6	Western Conn.	A	6:30
Nov. 8	Cent. Conn.	A	7:00
Nov. 13	Bridgewater	H	6:30
Nov. 15	A.I.C.	H	7:15
Nov. 19	No. Eastern	A	5:30
Nov. 26	So. Conn.	A	6:30
Dec. 6	U. Conn.	H	6:30
Dec. 11	Framingham	A	4:00

Second Semester

Basketball

Jan. 29	Keene J.V.	H	7:00
Feb. 5	Framingham	H	7:00
Feb. 12	Jackson	H	7:00
Feb. 14	Smith	H	7:00
Feb. 20	ZU. Mass. J.V.	A	6:30
Feb. 28	Bridgewater J.V.	A	6:30
Jan. 31	Girls club Spgfld.	A	7:00
Mar. 5	Brandeis	H	7:00
Mar. 7	R.I.C.	H	7:00

ANYONE INTERESTED IN WRITING SPORTS FOR "THE OWL" SHOULD CONTACT [illegible] (DAVIS) OR THE OWL OFFICE ROOM 233

Gymnastics

Gymnastics practice has started, meeting on Tuesday and Thursday nights, between 6:00 and 8:00. Any interested Olga Korbut's are welcome to participate.

Springfield Hoop Tournament

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. - Mayor William C. Sullivan of this city, the birthplace of basketball, has announced that the City of Springfield will host a hoop tournament in December, featuring the four collegiate teams in Greater Springfield.

The Mayor's Tournament will be held Dec. 18 and 19 in the Springfield Civic Center. Participating teams include Springfield, Western New England, American International College, and Westfield State. Doubleheaders are scheduled for both evenings.

Mayor Sullivan said he believes the City of Springfield should host a tournament like this to give the teams an opportunity to play in the Civic Center with a seating capacity three-times that of each college. "Hopefully," he said, "we can make this an annual event."

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1973-1974

SPORTS

WSC Finishes At 15-2-1

by Joe Agnelli Jr.

SPRINGFIELD-5; WSC-2

As was the case last year, the boys from down Route 20 traveled to Westfield and wiped out the Owls hopes for an undefeated season. Springfield College handed WSC a 5-2 loss on October 13. It was a contest filled with good action and tremendous all-around play by both teams, which left the outcome in doubt until the late stages.

Springfield opened the scoring at the 20-minute mark as Mike Walker could not get to a low, hard shot. Minutes later, Chris Moukas beat the SC goalie to notch the count at one apiece. But before the half ended the visitors scored again and the score was 2-1.

Westfield looked tough at the start of the second half, but not quite tough enough as SC slipped in its third goal at the 12-minute mark. Allie Goncalves came right back and scored his eleventh goal of the season to close the gap to 3-2. This gave the Owls the lift they needed, and again they stiffened on defense. Their offense put on a strong attack but missed on several good scoring bids. These missed chances were WSC's betrayal as the SC juggernaut was too much and they quickly scored two goals after the 30-minute point and the game was out of reach for the Owls.

NORTH ADAMS-3; W SC-1

On October 17, the Owls suffered their second straight defeat, being upset by a surprisingly stubborn North Adams State team, 3-1 at the victors field.

Once again it was the team's inability to capitalize on good opportunities that marked the defeat. But, it was WSC who scored first, with Carl Steele heading the ball past NA's goalie at the 20-minute mark. Allie Goncalves got the assist on a corner kick. The defenses held on both sides and the score remained 1-0 at the half.

A heartbreaker was in the making when, at the 11-minute mark, Chris Moukas was awarded a penalty shot and missed on the attempt. Two minutes later, North Adams got on the scoreboard and it was a tied ball game. The hosts broke WSC's back about ten minutes later when they tallied on a deflected goal. This was the end as the Owls could not get it together. North Adams got one more late in the game to make the final 3-1.

This marked the first time Westfield lost to North Adams and the defeat dropped them out of first place in the Mass. State Conference.

WSC-6; FITCHBURG STATE-1

The following day, the Owls, still smarting from two consecutive losses, smashed the FSC defenses while rolling to a 6-1 triumph...

There was no way the Owls were going to lose this one, as Mike Lodigiani got the initial score at the 11-minute mark, with Steve Mancini assisting. Fitchburg tied it two minutes later, but that was to be the "All-American City's" only goal of the afternoon.

Ten minutes after, Allie Goncalves connected, and then Chris Moukas beat FSC's goalie to up the count to 3-1 before the half ended.

Allie scored again in the second half and John Amaral put in two to make the final score 6-1.

Reserve goalie Bob Dolan did a fine job but still found the going rough. Early in the second half he was out on the head during a scramble near the goal. The cut required 13 stitches.

WSC-2; CASTLETON-0

Westfield gained its second shutout of the season and its tenth victory by dowing Castleton State College 2-0.

Forward Allie Goncalves scored both WSC goals, one in each half, to give the team its victory margin. These goals moved Goncalves into the scoring lead with his 14th and 15th.

The first goal came at the 25-minute mark of the opening stanza, assisted by Chris Moukas. WSC missed several good opportunites to increase its lead, and the score stood 1-0 at the half.

Goncalves got his second early in the second half and the Owl defense, led by Mike Walker's heroics, held the rest of the way.

WSC-3; EASTERN CONN.-0

The Owls came up with its third shutout and second in a row as their staunch defense stymied E. Conn.'s scoring thrust, 3-0 in Willamantic.

As in the previous game, Mike Walker led the defense with some sturdy goaltending. He made many impressive saves early in the game which kept WSC in front all the way.

Allie Goncalves got the first score, which proved to be the winner, at the 15 minute point. In the second half, Chris Moukas tallied twice to put the contest out of E.C.'s hands. This victory raised theOwls season record to 11-2-1.

WSC-8; SALEM STATE-1

The Owls ran their record to 12-2-1 with a convincing 8-1 victory over

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the Salem State Vikings in Westfield on October 26.

Salem scored first at the three-minute mark, and after that it was all WSC. Dennis Dougas tied the score a minute later, and then Chris Moukas, Allie Goncalves, Elidio Mateus, Goncalves again, and Carl Steele tallied before the half ended to make the score 6-1.

Billy Lownds and Allie Concalves scored in the second half to make the final count 8-1.

The defense was the key to triumph as Ken McCarron, Mike LeFleur, Carl Steele, Gary Rodrigues, and Chris Moukas all contributed to the effort.

WSC-9; NEW PALTZ-0

New Paltz College was the Owls next opponent and they were simply outclassed by the WSC scoring machine as the score showed a lopsided 9-0 win. This was Westfield's fifth shutout of the year.

Allie Goncalves, John Amaral, and Dennis Dougas each tallied twice, while Billy Lownds, Chris Moukas, and John Liptak contributed a goal apiece to the cause.

WSC-3; WESTERN NEW ENGLAND-1

A surprisingly tough WNEC soccer team hosted the Owls on October 31, and gave them all the trouble they could handle before bowing to the visitors 3-1.

The first half was a "Mexican stand-off" with neither team being able to break the ice and get the lead.

About ten minutes into the second half, Allie Goncalves beat the WNEC goalie on a hard snot to give WSC its first lead of the day. The home team retaliated five minutes later to notch the score at 1-1.

But, this was to be the Owls' game as Elidio Mateus put the team ahead for good at the 22-minute mark, and Dennis Dougas wrapped it up with a late goal to give Westfield its 14th victory of the season.

WSC-2; QUINNIPIAC-0

The Owls ended their season on a successful note by blanking Quinnipiac College 2-0 at the latter's field.

It was the defense that keyed the win as Quinnipiac could not really sustain any good offensive threats on Mike W alker all

Chris Moukas and John Amaral gave WSC all the scoring it needed to finalize the season record at 15-2-1.

Although the team did not win the league title, they can be very proud to have played together so weli and nearly eclipse many school scoring records. Many of the players are freshman, and since they did so well this year, people really just cannot imagine how great this team will be in the future.

WSC SCORING
(FINAL)

NAME	GOALS
Allie Goncalves	23
John Amaral	17
Chris Moukas	14
Billy Lounds	10
Dennis Dougas	5
Carl Steele	4
Mike Andrukonis	3
Bino Goncalves	2
Elidio Mateus	2
Mike Fillion	1
Mike Lodigiani	1
John Liptak	1

(Final)

Sept. 18	WSC - 2
22	WSC - 7
24	WSC - 5
29	WSC - 2
Oct. 1	WSC - 8
3	WSC - 2
5	WSC - 4
7	WSC - 9
10	WSC - 8
13	WSC - 2
17	WSC - 1
18	WSC - 6
20	WSC - 2
24	WSC - 3
26	WSC - 8
29	WSC - 9
31	WSC - 3
Nov. 3	WSC - 2
Central Conn. - 1	
AIC - 0	
Boston State - 3	
Johnson State - 1	
Worcester State - 1	
Nichols - 1	
Framingham State - 4	
Nasson - 1	
Lowell State - 1	
Springfield - 5	
North Adams State - 3	
Fitchburg State - 1	
Castleton State - 0	
Eastern Conn. - 0	
Salem State - 1	
New Paltz - 0	
WNEC - 1	
Quinnipiac - 0	
FINAL RECORD:	
15 wins, 2 losses, 1 tie	

Golden Gloves

Anyone interested in boxing in the Golden Gloves Tournament at the Holyoke Boys' Club should contact Pat Bartlett in the Boxing Room, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 6:30-9:00 p.m.

KARATE

The Westfield State Karate Team led by Sensei John Piccolomini gave an outstanding performance at the New England Karate Tournament held October 27 at Manchester, Connecticut.

Individual honors went to Dana Billings, who took first place in Kata and third place in Kumite. Other team members included Jeff Todd, Ed Temple, and John Raposa.

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SPORTS

Hockey Hits Success

by Joe Agnelli Jr.

The first contest for the newly-formed ice hockey club was a successful one with the WSC SQUAD beating Western New England College, 6-3, at the Williston Academy rink on February 11.

Westfield jumped into the lead early in the first period on a goal by Paul Fulton, with the assist to Jerry Tooey. At the end of the first period the score stood at 1-0.

Right winger Andy Gray scored on a brilliant breakaway at the start of period two, as he moved around the last WNEC defender and beat the goalie on a low shot. The score: 2-0. WNEC came back to within one as the puck deflected off a WSC defenseman past goalie Joe Agnelli. Defenseman Rex Stevens gave Westfield its two goal lead back as he scored on a low shot from the blue line while the goalie was screened. WNEC came close again on a breakaway score. But, before the period ended, Andy Gray tallied again to make the score 4-2.

As the third period started, Larry Strycharz returned to the nets after resting during the second period. He made many impressive saves to thwart the WNEC shooters. But the Wilbraham team scored on a screened shot from the left wing and it was again a one goal difference. The score was the same until the last minute when WSC scored two quick ones to finish off WNEC. Ray Boudreault and Billy Stone were the goal scorers.

On the whole, it was a fine team effort by the new club and WNEC looks for revenge in a return match on Sunday, February 24, at the Olympia in Springfield.

Lifters Show Power

by Steve Fetherman

The 1974 New England States Powerlifting Championships were held in Nashua, N.H. last January 26. Westfield entered three lifters, Jack Sanocki, in the Middleweights (165); Fred Poulin, in the light heavyweights (181); and Captain-president John Pezzote, in the heavyweights (220).

Jack Sanocki totaled 995 lbs., via 360 lb. squat, 275 lb. bench press, and a 360 lb. dead lift. Among strong competition, poor judging, and adverse conditions, Jack placed eighth. Fred Poulin totaled 1200 lbs. by way of a 390 lb. squat, a 285 lb. bench press, and a 525 lb. dead lift. Good enough for fourth place. In the first heavyweight class, John Pezzote totaled 1525 lbs. John's total was low because his weight class finished lifting at 11 p.m. By the way, John handily won the 220 division despite an off day.

The WSC lifters competed against a very tough class of competitors in this year's championships. The club will enter a full team in the New England Regional Powerlifting Championships to be held in Berlin, N.H. in late April. If the club can gather a team big enough, a team trophy should be very close at hand.

. . . In late November of last year, Jack Sanocki and Kevin Brock placed in the prestigous Boston Open Power Championships, an old draw for some of the big guns of power-lifting. Jack placed fourth with a 1025 lb. total. Kevin placed second with a 1000 lb. total. Steve Fetherman acquired a New England judges seat at Boston.

. . . At Fitchburg late last October, John Pezzote won the first heavyweight class State Championships and Best Lifter Award with a 1575 lb. total. The WSC team placed second among all teams and first among all colleges represented.

Women's Gymnasts Conquer Opposition

by Leslie Hines and Jeanne Miller

The WSC's Women's Gymnastic team is doing well. They won their first meet against Keene State, and their second against King's College of New York. We arrived after the vaulting and unevens competition, the running score was King's College 24.6, Westfield 27.6. Barb Tierny of WSC took first place in vaulting with King's College taking second, and Barb Northrup, also of WSC, taking third. The total score for vaulting was Kings 16.5, WSC 19.3. Westfield did not fare as well on the unevens. King's College was allowed to place first, while Barb Tierny and Barb Northrup placed second and third respectively. The total score for the unevens was Kings 8.1, WSC 8.3. Westfield recovered the first place positions for the next two events, the balance beam and floor exercise. Barb Northrup held first in both of these events, giving a spectacular performance. Kings held second on the beam, and Terri Margosiak of Westfield held third. The score for the balance beam competition was King's College 8.3, WSC 13.7. The overall running score was 32.9 to 41.3, with Westfield State in the lead. King's College held second and third place in the floor exercise competition. Kim Starkey, who usually places third in this event, only took fifth place. The total score for floor exercise was King's 17.0, Westfield 18.0. The overall score was King's College 49.9, Westfield 59.3. The many hours of strenuous practice certainly paid off for the Westfield team.

SPORTS

By Joe Agnelli Jr.

The WSC hockey squad entered its second game confident against WNEC, the same team they beat the first time, but came out losers by the same score, 6-3. The contest took place on February 24 at the Olympia.

WNEC dominated the first period as they jumped into a quick 4-0 lead before the Owls were able to score. The WNEC offense was continually allowed to swarm around the WSC goal, and Larry Strycharz was kept very busy. He made some fine stops, but had no real chance on the first four goals.

Paul Fulton banged in the rebound of a Jerry Twohig shot to put WSC on the scoreboard before the end of the period.

Poor puck-clearing by the WSC defense caused WNEC's fifth goal early in the second stanza. Again Strycharz was tested, but came out looking sharp. Dennis King made it 5-2 on a neat backhander from in front, on the power play. Assists went to Twohig and Ray Boudreau. The period ended at 5-2, WNEC.

Up-and-down hockey was in evidence at the start of period three, as both teams passed well to get into the attacking zone, but were unable to get a good shot off. Andy Gray slapped home a shot from in close to close the gap to 5-3. Twohig and Bill Sweeney assisted.

It was close for a while until a WNEC winger blasted a low hard shot past Strycharz to put the game on ice. Final score: 6-3.

New Pool Opens

by Ed Healey

Upon returning to school last fall, students noticed that the far left wall of the Student Union Lounge had undergone a final revision. The plywood barrier had been removed, revealing a wall of safety glass. The sort of structure lying beyond this transparency however, was difficult to discern. It seemed only to be vast darkness, yet an occasional ray of light affirmed the presence of water. Certainly everyone knew that there was supposed to be a pool in there somewhere, and we became anxious for some light and activity to unveil it. At last, upon returning this semester, our curiosities have been satisfied and one may peer from the lounge upon Westfield State's newest facility, the pool.

The new pool is 75 feet in length and 45 feet in width with a depth of 4 feet at the shallow end and 12-1/2 feet at the deepest. The present water temperature is unstable but the physical education department, presently in charge of the facility, is aiming for a constant temperature of 78 degrees.

A staff of 16 student life guards has been appointed. One of these guards must be hired for any pool activity that is independent of the physical education department. Among those students selected are: Bob Dolon, Allan Lozier, Bob Negel, Larry Becker, Fran Laporte, John Liptak, Evan Elgin, Mark DiJackome, Liz Hooten, Cathy Gibbons, Sandy Dowson, Colheen Shea, Janet Rushton, Barbara Strom, Sandy Buckman and Nancy McGarian.

[illegible] officially opened, the Physical Education Department has entered into a planning stage for its future use. Among some of the prospects are synchronized swim activities and the formation of competitive swim teams. However, these programs will not be realized until next fall.

At present, the pool is open for free swim to members of the college on week nights from 4:30 until 7:30. The weekday schedule is that of periods 4 and 5 on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and period 3 on Tuesday and Thursday. The pool is open on Sunday evenings from 4 until 9, but no Saturday hours have as yet been set up. These hours are for a one month trial period only and may be subject to change.

Regulations for those using the pool are common sensical. Anyone having a contagious disease may not use the pool, proper swim attire is required, as well as bathing caps for persons with hair below the ear. At this time only members of the college are eligible for use of the pool and college ID's are required for admittance. A guest policy will be forthcoming in the near future.

Already, as many as 85 persons per evening have taken advantage of this new recreational outlet and the numbers are sure to increase when warmer weather comes our way. It may be at this later date that students find themselves waiting in line for a swim as the pool has a maximum capacity of only eighty persons. Whether it be too short or too crowded, this novelty is sure to make a dent in the activities and the lives of the people of Westfield State.

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Mr. Christopher Hatchet, a former NEAA lacrosse all-star from Springfield College, was recently appointed as the new coach of WSC Lacrosse team. He opened practice on February 19, with a squad of approximately 25 members, on the commuters' parking lot. This was due to poor conditions of the regular field. They still have five weeks to prepare for their first game, away against Dean Jr. College on April 9. Other opponents include Boston State, Mass. Maritime, Brandeis University, Lowell Tech, Castleton State, Plymouth State, and the Providence Lacrosse Club.

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"The Year of the Owl"

With all of last year's NCAA team returning, Westfield State hopes to clinch another NCAA bid this season.

The Owl's defense is anchored by veteran goalie Mike Walker. Assisting him in front of the cage are returning backs Ken McCarron, Gary Roderiques, Steve Mancini, and Carl Steele.

The half-back line fluctuates between three sophomores: Elidio Mateus, Chris Moukas, Willy Sorenson and freshman Chris Lynch. Chris looks as though he is really going to be an asset for Coach Kurty's club. Sorely missed on the mid-field will be Co-captain Paul Whalley, due to a recent knee operation.

Taking charge on the forward line are sophomore Alli Gonclaves and junior Denny Dugas, who have both scored goals in the first three games. Assisting them on the inside positions are John Amaral, Billy Martin and Mike Andrukonis. On the wing slots are Billy Lownds, Bino Gonclaves, Tim Sicard, and Mike Lodigiani.

The Owls have greater depth this year, consisting mainly of defenders. They are Manny DaCruz, Denny Laprade, Tony Ribeiro, and Ray Peetz. Other reserves are back-up goalie Jim Robinson and half-backs Tony Pina and Mark Fournier.

The Owl team would not be complete without the fine coaching of John Kurty, who is entering his eighth year of coaching at WSC. Over the years at WSC Coach Kurty has compiled a remarkable record of 96-23-10.

Another big plus for the Owls is the new astroturf field. So far only two games have been played on the turf as part of the Annual WSC Invitational Soccer Tournament.

WSC-7 AIC-3 Friday, September 13

The Owls started off on the right foot last week, crashing through the Yellow Jacket's defense for seven goals.

The first goal of the game came in the first five minutes on a corner kick by Alli Gonclaves. Left full-back Gary Roderiques got to the ball and headed it into the net to make the score 1-0. It was a hot day for Denny Dugas as he pumped a hat-trick by the goalie to raise the score 4-0. Other scorers in the game were John Amaral, Alli Gonclaves and Tim Sicard.

AIC's offense had a hard time breaking through the tough Owl defense and only in the final minutes of the ball game could they muster three goals.

The preliminary game was won by Springfield College, 2-1 over Western New England College.

WSC-1 Springfield-1 Saturday, September 14

The Owls and Springfield battled each other for 20 minutes before the Chiefs broke the ice and scored on a penalty kick. Chris Schmid scored on the free kick for the Chiefs. The Owls came back fighting and Alli Gonclaves scored as the Owls dominated the last 15 minutes of play.

An outstanding show by the Owl defense rendered the efforts of the Springfield offense futile and the game ended a 1-1 tie with the Owls in control.

The preliminary game was won by WNEC 6-2 over AIC.

WSC-4 Central Conn.-2 Tuesday, September 17

The last game the Owls played was against Central Conn. in a 3:00 game on Tuesday, the 17th. The Owls came from a 2-0 deficit to rack up four straight goals to clinch another win 4-2.

Once again the Owl offense showed its physical and mental toughness as they dominated the Conn. end of the field, pumbling the opposing defense. The first goal for WSC came on a shot by Chris Moukas just inside the penalty area, deflecting off an opposing full-back, and shooting into the upper left-hand corner.

The second goal came with seven seconds remaining in the first half by Alli Gonclaves, who found the ball in a skirmish in front of the Central Conn. cage and booted a nice right-footed shot past the goaly to tie it up at two apiece.

He came back again, but not until about half-way through the second-half, to score his second goal of the game, to pull the Owls ahead, 3-2.

With around fifteen minutes to go in the game, Willy Sorenson set the ball up for himself on an Indirect Kick, and chipped the ball over the Central Conn. defense. The goalie charged out for the ball, but Denny Dugas got there first, and headed the ball past him into the net for the final goal of the game. Final score was 4-2.

"This is the year of the Owl", they're saying, and from what we've seen so far it just may be. The team has plenty of confidence, ability and spirit and invites the student body to support them at all their games.

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WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE
FALL BASEBALL SCHEDULE (1974)

Sat. Sept. 14	Oneonta State (DH)	Home 12:30
Sun. Sept. 15	Alumni	Home 2:00
Tues. Sept. 17	Berkshire C. C.	Home 3:00
Thurs. Sept. 19	North Adams (DH)	Home 2:00
Sun. Sept. 22	astern Conn. (DH)	Home 1:00
Wed. Sept. 25	Springfield	Away 3:00
Wed. Oct. 2	UMass	Away 3:00
Wed. Oct. 2	Springfield	Away 3:00
Fri. Oct. 4	Eastern Conn. (DH)	Home 3:00
Sun. Oct. 6	Berkshire C. C.	Away 1:00
Tues. Oct. 8	Springfield	Home 3:00
Thurs. Oct. 10	Vermont (DH)	Away 3:00
Sun. Oct. 13	Tri-County All-Stars (Yet to be scheduled)	Home 12:30

Coach Ken Ralph
Co-Captains: Bill Weber, Bob Kallstrom

WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE
CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE 1974

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE TIME
Sept. 28	Amherst *	Westfield 2:00
Oct. 5	Eastern Conn. State College	Westfield 2:00
Oct. 12	with Rhode Island College *	New Haven, Ct. 2:00
Oct. 19	at Southern Conn. State College	Boston 2:00
Oct. 19	at Codfish Bowl	Boston 2:00
Oct. 26	at Albany State Invitational	Albany, N.Y. 10:00 A.M.
Oct. 30	at Mass. State College Cont. Championship	Boston 3:00
Nov. 4	at New England championships	Boston 1:00
Nov. 11	at ICAA Championships	New York, N. Y.
Nov. 16	at NCAA III Championships	Wheaton, Ill.

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Beard, Mike * —	75	Boston, Ma.
Cosgrove, Bill* —	75	Danvers, Ma.
Sharpe, Jeff* —	75	Lincoln, Ma.
Stygles, Jim	75	Natick, Ma.
Dillon, Bill *	76	Springfield, Ma.
Chapman, Bill	76	Falmouth, Ma.
Call, Dennis	77	Falmouth, Ma.
Dalton, Kevin *	77	Peabody, Ma.
Ferreira, Paul	77	Melrose, Ma.
Nomakeo, Bob	77	Westfield, Ma.
Seal, Gary	77	Seekonk, Ma
Spellman, Scott*	77	Attleboro, Ma.
Spitz, Joe	77	Weymouth, Ma.
Ash, Jim	78	Chicopee, Ma.
Asaro, Mark	78	Salem, Ma.
Camille, Barry	78	Ashland, Ma.
Bailey, John	78	Boston, Ma.
Dillon, Jim	78	Chicopee, Ma.
Karle, Phil	78	Worcester, Ma.
McGilloway, Jim	78	Beverly, Ma.

* Lettermen
— Tri Captains

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Varsity Soccer
Schedule 1974

13 & 14 Fri. & Sat.	Invitation Tournament (Spfd, AIC, WNEC, WSC)	3:00 & 5:00
17 Tuesday	at Central Conn.	3:00
20 Friday	AIC	7:00
23 Monday	*at Boston State	3:00
30 Monday	*Worcester	3:00
October		
2 Wednesday	Nichols	7:00
4 Friday	*Framingham State	7:00
7 Monday	*North Adams State	3:00
9 Wednesday	*Lowell State	7:30
11 Friday	at Springfield	7:30
15 Tuesday	Univ. of Mass.	7:00
17 Thursday	*Fitchburg	7:00
19 Saturday	at Castleton	2:00
23 Wednesday	East. Conn.	7:00
25 Friday	*at Salem	3:00
28 Monday	New Paltz	7:00
30 Wednesday	WNEC	7:00
November		
1 Friday	Quinnipiac	7:00

VARSITY SOCCER
ROSTER 1974

	Class	H	A	Pos.	HOME TOWN
Mike Walker co-capt.	75	2	2	B	Springfield
Paul Whalley co-capt.	75	19	19	B	Chicopee
Bill Lownds	75	19	19	B	Easthampton
Bill Martin	75	12	12	B	Holyoke
Bino Goncalves	75	8	8	F	Ludlow
Rex Stevens	76	6	6	F	Springfield
Carl Steele	76	16	16	F	Springfield
Ray Peetz	76	17	17	B	Belchertown
Steve Mancini	76	11	11	B	Chicopee
Tony Ribeiro	76	11	11	B	Ludlow
Mike Andrukonis	76	20	32	F	Barre
Ken McCaron	76	5	5	B	Ludlow
Denis Dugas	76	13	13	F	Easthampton
Mike Lodigiani	76	23	23	F	W. Springfield
Denis Laprade	76	9	9	B	Easthampton
John Amaral	76	21	21	F	Ludlow
Gary Rodrigues	77	10	10	B	Ludlow
Elidio Mateus	77	26	26	B	Ludlow
Manny Dacruz	77	14	14	B	Ludlow
Chris Moukas	77	15	15	B	Ludlow
Alley Goncalves	77	4	4	F	Ludlow
Jim Robinson	77			G	Pittsfield
Bill Sorenson	77	28	28	B	Easthampton
Walt Podbelski	77	22	22	B	Westfield
Mark Fournier	78	25	25	B	Granby
Tim Sicard	78	18	18	B	Northampton
Tony Pina	78	27	27	B	Ludlow
Chris Roukus	78	30	30	F	Brockton
Chris Lynch	[illegible]	[illegible]	31	F	Springfield

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Cross Country 1974

Westfield State had a 6-3 record last season losing to Keene State, Brandeis and a vastly improved Eastern Conn. team. This was the poorest win-loss record Westfield has had over the last four seasons. Since 1970 Westfield's record is 37-7 in dual meet competition.

Westfield lost the Mass State College Conference Crown to Boston State bur finished a strong second, placing 4 runners in the top ten finishers. They finished a disappointing 21st in the New England Championship and 23rd in the IC4A Championship. The season was marked by injuries to key runners, Manley, Stygles, Spellman and team captain Bob Danehy.

This year Westfield has a large talented squad and should have an improved season. There are 7 returning lettermen and a promising group of freshmen. This could prove to be the strongest group of frost since 1971.

Jeff Sharpe, last years leading runner is, returning along with Mike Beard (all New England) who did not run cross country last year. Other returning lettermen are Jim Stygles, a capable cross country runner who improves each year; Bill Cosgrove a senior who hopefully will return to the form he demonstrated as a frosh. Bill Dillon, a junior, [illegible] cross country for the last 2 seasons but has been working hard in an attempt to make a comeback. Kevin Dalton last year's outstanding freshmen runner and two other sophomore runners, Scott Spellman and Joe Spitz. Spitz had a slow start in cross country last season but made a strong showing in winter and spring track. Spellman was injured most of last year but appears recovered and should make a valuable contribution. A strong season by Spellman and Spitz could help the teams chances a great deal. Also returning is Bill Chapman a junior who has run J. V. the last two seasons but has been very impressive in early workouts.

The freshmen contingent is a talented group with an excellent attitude. Mark Asaro and Jim McGilloway are from the North Shore, (Salem and Beverly) both were outstanding high school cross country runners. Jim Ash and Jim Dillon are from nearby Chicopee, where they ran on Chicopee Comp's strong 1973 team. Phil Karle is from Worcester, Mass and may prove to be the surprise of the freshmen. Barry Camille from Ashland is another runner who was a high school standout and should prove to be a valuabel addition. John Bailey from Boston is an inexperienced cross country runner but is a hard worker and is making good progress.

This could be the strongest squad that Westfield has had. With the return to form of Cosgrove, Dillon and Spellman and some help from the freshmen Westfield could have its finest season.

This season the team is pointing toward the NCAAIII Championship in Wheaton Illinois. The team has the talent to qualify for the nationals but it will take some hard work, a good performance in the New Englands and a little luck to make it.

Amherst College has been added to this year's schedule and they should provide a stiff test for a seasons opener. They have most of last years strong squad returning.

Eastern Connecticut, another dual meet opponent, should also have a strong team. They had their most outstanding season last year and have their entire squad back. Eastern defeated Westfield handily last year, Westfield's first loss to this Connecticut rival. Southern Conn. always has a strong team and should be much more difficult to defeat this year on their home course.

Boston State should once again be Westfield's stiffest Mass State College opponent. Boston State, a traditionally strong, cross country school should have its best squad over this year. Westfield and Boston should once again battle it out for the conference crown. Westfield won the title in 1972 with Boston 2nd and Boston won in 1973 with Westfield second, so 1974 will provide the setting for the rubber match.

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WSC Sports

Rundown On Soccer Team

Last week the soccer team scrimmaged against the Bi-Centennials, a Semi-Pro team consisting of mostly Ludlow players, former players of Coach Kurday at Ludlow High. It was a well played game, and it was really beautiful soccer played by both teams. The fans that do not really understand would have found this game rather boring, because there wasn't much scoring, but there were plenty of opportunities to score by both teams. This is the way soccer is supposed to be played, but to finish off the play and cash in on scoring opportunities seems to be a menace sometimes. The only goal was in the second half, by Bino Goncalves, being on the right side of the field, and chipping the ball into the left hand corner of the net. The game ended 1-0 in favor of WSC, but it was more like a sportsmanship game, rather than the World Cup Finals Game.

WSC-7, AIC-1

You will find the article to this game in the next issue of the "OWL".

WSC-5, Boston State-2

The first goal of the game came by Denny Dugas. On a beautiful chip by Chris Lynch, Denny got under the ball and headed it over the arms of the Boston State goaltender. He came back again minutes later on a breakaway pass from Alley Goncalves. The goaltender came out and slid to cut down the angle, but with his rapidly increasing skills, beat the goalie and made the score 20-. The next goal of the game was scored by Paul Kourkukis of Boston State, which caught Mike Walker, the Owl goaltender, going the wrong way, to keep them in the ball game. But the Westfield boosters' toughness, which they have been proving throughout the season, came right back when Alley Goncalves beat a Boston State fullback, and challenged their goalie to a one-on-one situation, and easily pushed it to the corner of his choice. the score was raised to 4-1 when Bino Goncalves made a beautiful cross to the opposite side of the field where Billy Lownds slammed a hard left-footed shot into the near corner of the net. Boston States' second and last goal came on a penalty kick awarded to them by a personal foul by an Owl defender. Paul Kourkukis took the kick for our opponents to make the score 4-2. The last goal in the game by Chris Moukas was a hard left foot shot that never left the ground. He picked the ball up at about the 18 yard mark to the left side of the goal, and pulled it back to the right corner, where he knew the goaltender was never going to lay a hand on it.

On this cold, brisk afternoon, the team was taken out to eat to celebrate Coach Kurdy's 100th victory in his 8th season at Westfield State. What a fun bus ride home that night!

Especially for a few of those Freshman.

RIGHT BILLY MARTIN???? COME ON, MEN!

WSC-7, Worcester State-0

Our wingers are really starting to score the ball for the Owls. In the first minute of the game, Bino Goncalves beat Worcesters' right full back with ease, and pushed the ball past their goaltender for the Owl's first goal. Less than 30 seconds later, Sophomore John Amaral took a pass from Chris Moukas, and took the ball right up the middle, and the score was an obvious 2-0. Amaral came back seconds later to get himself another goal on a pass from Alley Goncalves, once again up the middle and rifled a shot up into the net to make the score 3-0. I don't know! That Amaral is really showing Coach something! Coach Kurdy then started switching around his players, mixing up his starters with his Subs. Mike Gauthier and Chris Roukas, brought up from Sub-Varsity last week because of their rapid improvements, each chipped in on a goal for the fine victory. Mike got his goal in the first half on a head ball, which came on a cross from Alley. And Chris got his goal in the second half on a cross from Mike Lodigiani, to raise the score to 5-0. Minutes into the second half, Alley Goncalves fired a shot from outside the penalty area, it hit the crossbar, bounced to the ground, and Billy' Martin, rather than kicking, strategically used his body to push the ball into the net, assuring himself of the goal. At the far end of the field, an indirect kick was set up for the Owls just inside the penalty area. The person designated for the kick was Alley Goncalves. They, being the Worcester players, must have known how hard Alley can shoot the ball, because nobody moved to try to contest the shot he was about to take. The whistle was blown, and Alley too the shot. The goaltender for Worcester finally saw the ball when the referee was walking back to half-field with it for the opposing forwards to kick off again. The game ended at 7-0.

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Not The Real Thing

by Ron Gerwatowski

Most of the WSC students have seen or at least heard about the new synthetic field. This all-purpose facility, which is located just off campus on Western Avenue, is owned by the State and gives Westfield State College a place to hold athletic events.

Construction of the field was supposed to be completed by September of 1973. The fact of the matter is that it is now September of 1974 and the complex is only now nearing completion.

The soccer team and girls' field hockey team have played games on the field, but that is because soccer and field hockey only need a field and two goals to have a game. Right now, the field only consists of a piece of artificial turf, two soccer goals, and a half-finished track. The playing area looks very nice to the average person who sees it for the first time, but actually a field as expensive as this should consist of more facilities.

The total cost of the field is $665,000 and at this price anyone would expect at least a scoreboard and spectator grandstands to accompany the complex. The original plans of 1970 called for four softball fields, twelve tennis courts, one all-purpose field, (all of which were to be lighted) and a complex building facility.

As the months passed, Boston took away the plans for a building and slowly cut the amount of money which was going towards the project. Now the only thing that the college has received from this contract is a field with lights. (The lights have not yet been erected) Some students might say that having the field is better than what we had before. This is true, but without sufficient equipment to take care of the turf, the field may not stay in the best of playing conditions. It is possible that the synthetic turf could even be ruined without care by the proper equipment.

Last January the college was officially appropriated $22,000 from the State. This money was for all the proper equipment that should go with a facility of this sort. This equipment includes: cleaning machinery, grandstands, scoreboard, hurdles for track, and toilet facilities. After months of anticipation the college received a letter concerning this money. It stated that the wording on the original bill was different from what was first interpreted. This meant that the amount of money originally appropriated would take a 75% cut. In other words the college would only receive around $5,000. Because of this outrageous cut, the college did not and will not receive the equipment and facilities for the field. All the equipment that was first anticipated is now lost through the incompetency of the State. The field does not even have proper toilet facilities, never mind grandstands or a scoreboard.

The college has been asking the authorities in Boston for these facilities throughout the past year. All that WSC has received in return is a handful of broken promises.

There are also a few small details, on and around the field, that were overlooked. Some of the trees in the area were not cut down. (For safety reasons they should have been) The fence was moved in fifty feet from its original place, leaving only approximately twenty-five feet for any stands to be put in. The pits for the pole vault and the high jump were left unfinished and a protective fence should have been placed around the playing area to keep the spectators off the turf. These are small things, but they all add up.

Someone is to blame for not looking out for the interests of WSC, but to whom can you point the finger? It is not the company's fault, because they only build things that are in the plans. The architect who designed the field had never designed a facility of this sort and the quality of the plans could be questioned, but the State hired him and should have taken this into consideration.

The State was the one who appropriated money, chose the architect, and entered into a loose contract. The blame could quite possibly lie with it. The situation may not seem like much, but it is the students of Westfield State College who are hurt in the long run. This is what makes it a controversial situation. It is unfortunate that it is now too late to correct this problem.

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Westfield Slides into Illinois

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After the game, we were faced with another oblem — Wheaton College refused to allow us to stay in their gym. So we were left with no choice but to return to the Four Seasons motel. At this point no one really cared as long as we could have some food and sleep. We returned to the motel and checked out four rooms, supposedly for 20 people. Little did the owners know that approximately 40 kids would be staying there.

In the afternoon we were on our own. Some kids crashed out and caught up with some sleep, others went to get a decent meal, others sat around and drank the afternoon away.

The soccer team (our men) visited at night. We all sat around, talking about the bus ride down and relaxed for a change. By 10pm the team had to return to their motel for a 10 o'clock curfew. We then all got ready for bed, lying out our sleeping bags on any free space on the floor, the available beds were quickly occupied and "Midnight Special" entertained us for awhile. By 12am, fourteen exhausted people had crashed out and were getting their first decent night's sleep.

Friday, Nov. 29th.

We all woke up to a brisk Illinois morning, with the temperatures around 30°. The entire day was free for us to do as we pleased and most of us headed for the "big city". A train took us into Chicago and left us in the middle of total confusion. The streets of Chicago were packed with people, the buildings towered above our heads and the cars raced down the streets stopping for no one. We split up into various groups, some getting a guided tour by Ken McCarron, the other group got a free meal.

We acted as your "typical tourist", being awed by every building, staring at all the new faces and taking group photos by each monument. Some of us visited the Sears building, going up to 107th story and viewing Illinois from above. We tried to cover the entire city in the one day that we were there, and we accomplished that task pretty well! We managed to see the basic big city features such as a shooting at the Playboy club, a physical arrest, a few happy hookers and many "freaks". We walked around with one eye watching where we were going, the other watching out for muggers. This was the big city of Chicago, quite different from the streets of Westfield.

The day tired all of us out completely. At night we sat around in our hotel rooms and watched TV. Some played cards, others caught up with some studying — but it was a quiet night as we shared our individual experiences in Chicago.

We all got to bed fairly early because the next day was the second NCAA playoff game and right after than we would be homeward bound. By 1230am the lights were shut and we were all asleep within minutes.

Saturday, Nov. 30th.

Saturday morning came too quickly. By 830 am we were all awake, packing up, making last minute runs to the package store and collected anything that we could use from the hotel. Outside there was three inches of Illinois snow with it still falling heavily. This new addition of snow would surely not help out the field conditions for today's game.

The game began at 1030am. The fans were out there supporting our team 100%, knowing they could smoke MacMurray off the field.

The scoring began about 20 minutes into the game when Chris Moukas gave Allie Goncalves a pass in the middle. W... Allie got control, he let the ball fly and goalie wasn't about to come out and try to cut down the angle. The score was 1-0, with the Owls dominant.

The second goal came on a nice cross by Allie Goncalves. This time he passed to Chris Moukas on the right wing, wide open for an easy score. But if it weren't for the fake trap by Denny Dugas, it might have been a close game.

Minutes later, MacMurray came down the field and scored on a real blazer. If there had been any grass, the ball would have stopped sent deep in the upper right hand corner of the goal, impossible for the opposing goalie ever to save.

The last sedonds of the fame we broke loose and ran out to the field to congratulate the team. We knew they could do it and they proved it to us. Following was a presentation of awards to team members and the trophy awarded for the NCAA championship placing. We then moved on to the Holiday Inn, where we clebrated a bit with the team and said our last farewell before we boarded the bus to head back to Westfield.

We stopped at McDonald's and picked up our last decent meal, got ourselves settled on the bus and at 146pm we left Wheaton, Illinois and set off for our 20 hour drive back home.

The first few hours on the raod, the crew was quiet. No one seemed to be looking forward to the long drive, so many of us tried to sleep the hours away. We made stops along the way to revive our weary bodies and get some fresh air. Some of us provided entertainment for the people in the restaurant with a few performances of handbone, while others "picked" things up for souvenirs. By the end of this trip the entire crew would be professionals in "dining and dashing" techniques and would be able to survive anywhere with only $1.50 in their pocket.

Christmas spirit filled the bus once we started caroling. Every Christmas song was sung from "The Twelve Days of Christmas" to "Rudolph". This tired most of us out and we all slept another two hours away. The ride home was definitely quieter, we had had enough excitement at Illinois, all we wanted now was to get home.

We switched drivers at Buffalo and this meant we only had eight hours left, which seemed like nothing after going twelve hours already. Sunrise welcomed us aroung the New York area as a few of us awoke to the piercing sunlight attacking our eyes. The best welcome whough was when we crossed the New York state line into Massachusetts and the "Welcome to Massachusetts" sign glared at us off the side of the road. We were close to home, we saw mountains instead of barren, flat land, there wasn't any snow and we were now so close to a decent meal and a real bed.

At 950 am we turned into the campus — we finally made it home after a twenty-hour drive. Two busloads of tired kids unloaded their knapsacks and sleeping bags and made their way back to their dorms. We were home and it sure felt good to be back — I'm sure none of us would be taking a bus ride for awhile!

This trip would have never been possible without the strong determination of Steve Goulet. When we were stranded in Illinois or lost in Glyn Ellen he was always there to pull us through. We would all like to thank him for all he did and still would like to know how he survived all the aggravations. Thank you again Steve, for without your will we would have never made it.

Those four days were quite an experience for all of us. It will be something that will never be

oal!! Photo by Everding

1974-1975

Cross Country Victorious

The Varsity Cross Country handily defeated Amherst College's best running squad by placing men in six of the top seven finishing spots in their first home meet of the season. Leading the pack for the Owls were Kevin Dalton and Jeff Sharpe, tying for first place, followed closely by freshman Phil Karle. Close to the leaders were Mike Beard, Bill Dillon, freshman Mark Asaro, Jim Stygles, Bill Chapman, Paul Ferreira and Bill Cosgrove.

With such a strong beginning to the season, the team can't help but be very optimistic towards the remaining season. They will be traveling to Albany, Boston and New York for some of the toughest competition yet. And if they come through with a fine season, their sights are set on going to the National meet held in Illinois in mid-November.

1974-1975

Soccer Coach Gets 100th

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WSC Teams Win for Kurty

by Ed Abar

WESTFIELD—Monday's 5-2 victory over Boston State will most likely go down as just another Westfield State soccer win.

But for head coach John Kurty, the game was of special significance. It marked win number 100 in the nine year career of Westfield State's most successful coach.

To date, Kurty's teams have compiled a 100-23-10 won- lost-tie college record.

To the casual observer this performance appears remarkable but when compared to his high school coaching record, Kurty is some 50 wins behind. While head coach at Ludlow, from 1955-1965, Kurty's teams had an unbelieveable 150 wins against 20 losses and 19 ties.

Ludlow Coach

Ludlow won the Mass. State Championship the first three years of its inception and the 1965 team has to rate as one of the best ever to play high school soccer. The Lions won it all with a 21-0 record.

The following year John Kurty was at Westfield State.

At that time, the soccer program was just getting started. Actually 1964 was the first time WSC fielded a team, but a winning tradition had already begun. Under Robert Green, the Owls won the New England State College Championship in the team's first year and in 1965 won 10 games while losing three.

Control Offense

Kurty's first two years were to be a period of transition from a wide - open style of play to the ball-control offense that has come to be characteristic of Westfield State soccer!

In 1968, Westfield had defended its N.E.S.C.A.C. title and the 12-2-3 record set a mark for most wins in a season.

The years that followed are history, a 13 win season in 1969, 15 wins in 1970, an off-season in 1971, and back to back 15 win seasons in 1972 and 1973.

Along the way were the string of Mass. State and New England titles (five in all) and the top honor of competing in the N.C.A.A. New England Regionals season.

Dissapointments

There have been disappointments. The 2-0 loss to Springfield in the NCAA event last year, the loss of the 1972 State Championship, and an overtime loss to Williams College in the E.C.A.C. Tournament two years ago. But with a team with a winning tradition, the setbacks are quickly erased and the prospects for a better future are always bright as evidenced by the large turnout for this season's first practice.

Kurty would be the first to admit that you can't win without the talent and college recruiting is highly competitive. What is amazing is that Kurty has done so well with no scholarship money, a simply horrendous field, and a school with no long reputation for soccer.

Obstacles Overcome

Most of the obstacles have been overcome. The beautiful new AstroTurf field is complete, the physical education major is on the books, the reputation is growing, although the scholarships remain "all the water you can drink."

What lies ahead for the former Penn State All-American and past recipient of the Larry E. Briggs Award for outstanding contribution to soccer? It's not hard to make a prediction (a practice sometimes chastised by the coach). If I were a betting man, I'd have to go with a coach named Kurty. Why? I always bet on a winner.

1974-1975

Westfield State 5/8/75 Laxmen Win Two

by Kathy Kelleher

LOWELL—Last week found the Westfield State lacrosse team traveling to Lowell for a game worth the journey as the Owls brought home their first victory of the 1975 season.

The match was very closely played, as both teams would trade goals as the game went on. Scoring in the first half for WSC were Andy Gray getting the three goal hat trick, Emmet Ashe with two, and Tom Shannon with one.

The second half had Westfield playing excellently, but having to play "catch-up" lacrosse, as the Lowell team took a 10 - 8 lead. The last two minutes were the fatal ones for Lowell Tech, as their defense lagged, and Westfield's offense took advantage of the situation.

Jim Regan scored to put the Owls within one goal of a tie. Then Tom Shannon scored on a pass from Emmet Ashe to tie up the game with fifty seconds remaining. WSC's offense had come alive, and senior Emmet Ashe put one past the Tech goalie to give the Owls an 11-10 victory.

WSC vs. Hartford

The WSC astroturf field was the site of Saturday's game, with Westfiald hosting the University of Hartford team.

The game broke open quickly with Westfield scoring five goals in the first period, on tallies by Andy Gray, Tim Foley, Pat Foley, and two by Emmet Ashe. The defense, including Richie Correia, Jack Kilrain, and Bob Dolan held Hartford scoreless in the first period.

The opening moments of the second period included a rare occurence in the game of lacrosse, that being a defenseman scoring a goal. Within two minutes of the second period, junior defenseman and captain Richie Correia decided to give Westfield another goal and get his name in the scorebook, and he did so quite well. He cradled the ball downfield, and at 2:12 of the second period, fired the ball past the Hartford goalie to get an unassisted goal before returning to his defensive position.

The game appeared to be a sure Westfield rout, as Hartford scored only two goals, while WSC got four more before the half ended. These Westfield goals were made by Bill Sweeney, Tim Foley, and two by Emmet Ashe, and their goals gave the Owls a solid 10 - 2 halftime lead.

Hartford attempted a mild comeback in the second half, scoring five goals by sophomore Billy Hogan, and three by Andy Gray, to give WSC their second victory, an impressive 15 - 7 win.

1974-1975

WSC Trackmen Keep Conference Crown

MAY 6, 1975

WESTFIELD—Westfield State's track team, under the coaching of Gerry Gravel, retained its Massachusetts State College Championship Sunday with a come-from-behind win at the State College Track.

Westfield trailed Worcester State going into the final two events but the Owls captured four of the five places in the three mile and won the 440 relay in rainy conditions.

"The four finished in the three mile and a good showing in the 440 and 220 were the turning points," said Gravel. "I thought the rain would hamper us more than the other schools. We're strongest in the sprints and jumping events and the rain has more effect there. I thought it would be close and I figured we needed a lot of firsts and seconds in the running events since we are not overly strong in the field events."

Worcester had built an early lead in the field events but lost ground in the second half of the meet.

"We won the championship last year, but we graduated most of the people. We won it this year with a young team," Gravel said.

The individual performances are as follows:

440-Bernie Webley, Randy Boyce, Ken Hughes, Mike Colbert-first 43.2 New WSC and meet record.

Three mile—Mike Beard-1st-14:19.4 New WSC and meet record

Kevin Dalton-3rd-14:38.7.

Jim Stygles-4th

Jim McGilloway-5th

100 Dash—Webley-1st-10.2

Colbert-3rd-10.5

Triple Jump—Len Eddy-1st-42'6"

Dean Burt-2nd-42'4"

Pole Vault—Gary Robidoux-1st-13'2½" New WSC record.

Mile—Jeff Sharpe-2nd-4:22.1

Long Jump—Eddy—2nd-20'11¼"

220—Webley-2nd-22.9

Neil Spellman—3rd-23.3

Ken Hughes—4th-23.3

Javelin—Dave Maslaukas-2nd-166' 7¾"

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BASEBALL

Baseball practice will soon begin at Mt. Thomas with hard practice in the gym until the snow clears off the baseball diamond.

This year the W.S.C. Baseball Team will have around 15 games some of the opponents this year are: North Adams, Willimantic, Danbury, Bridgewater, R.I.C.E. and Windham Vt Teachers. Last year's record was right around the five hundred mark. This year Mr. Thomas would like to see that average raised.

Some of the returning veterans this year are: Larry Maxwell Jim Pratt, "Digger" Marsh, Bob Piper, Jim Fogarty, Tom Shaughnessy, Joe Foresi and Tom Cove. This reporter saw "Digger" Marsh with his baseball glove so it looks like "Diggsy" is trying to get a jump on everyone else. Also Larry Maxwell and Tom Shaughnessy were seen out on the field shoveling off a spot in right field for Joe Foresi. Also this year, W.S.C. will have the services of John Stadnicki who has played professional baseball with teams such as, Denver, Reading and Buffalo. He will be a terrific aset to our mound staff both in playing and coaching. Jim Pratt was seen in Canada during the winter vacation trying to find the right tree from which to make a good bat that wouldn't break and that would be light and flexible enough to "pull a ball". The other pitchers (Piper Fogarty, and Cove) have been strengthening their arms up all winter long. Bob Piper bowls in a Ten Pin League and he says that this sport is building up his arm. Tom Cove strengthens his arm during basketball season and Jim Fogarty develops his strength in his arm by playing cards in the recreation room.

With the potential the W.S.C. Baseball team has this year combined with the good coaching we should have a rewarding season. This reporter thinks that we should hit double figures in the win column. Let's hope that this prediction comes true at the end of the season.

NOTE-----

From the looks of the screens on the powerhouse windows, the janitors are prepared for the baseball season.

INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL

"Always a bridesmaid and never a bride" a title the Junior Class has held in intramural sports since their arrival on the campus, was finally broken. In what was probably the weakest volleyball league in years the Juniors finally clinched a title. There is no doubt that this year's league was not as strong as in the past. There is also no doubt that this year's league was the most evenly matched in years.

After dropping decisions to both the Freshman and the Sophomores during the regular season, the the Juniors met the Sophomores again in a two of three set for the title. The Juniors took the first and third games. The play-offs were featured by the hard spiked-typed offense of the Sophs and the deliberate place shots of the Juniors.

Although the league was comparatively weak it did not lack good ballplayers. If I was to pick an all-star team, which I won't do, it will probably contain some of these men who I thought did the most all-around for their team:
Seniors - Piper, Hutchins
Juniors - Kennedy, Pratt
Soph "A" - Marsh, Smith Fogarty
Soph "B" - Sittard
Soph "C" - Goyette, D. Smith
Frosh - Miles.

GIRL'S BASKETBALL

Congratulations go to the Freshman Team for winning the 1961 intramural basketball tournament.

The basketball season came to a close with the White Team winning over the Blue Team on March 1st. The Whites won 25 to 8 and 26n to 19 in straight games.

The members of the two teams were as follows:
WHITE TEAM
Lois Anderson - F
Linda Scott - F
Carolyn Gagin - F
Bonnie Bleakley - F
Betsy Popp - F
Joan Macmillan - G
Gert Gray - G
Jean Bednaz - G
Sue Cook - G
Diane Bradshaw - G
Marilyn Dupis G
BLUE TEAM
Ellen Curan-F
Carol Varanka - F
Dotty Johnson - F
Sue Landen F
Louise Patrenak - F
Joanne Ciborowski - G
Nanry Burkott - G
Elaine Alarie - G
Karalee Eastman - G.
TIMERS: Midge Dumas and Ina Skolnik
SCORERS: Barbara Charron and Judy Sasseville
OFFICIAL: Miss Bayless

1974-1975

Record Stands at 26-5

Owls Take Two From WNEC

5/7/75

by Ed Abar

WESTFIELD—Senior right-thander Bill Weber fired a one-hit shutout against Western New England College yesterday to enable Westfield State to sweep a doubleheader 9-2 and 5-0.

Weber raised his record to 7-1 as the double win pushed WSC's record to 26-5.

Weber faced only 22 batters in a seven inning performance. He struckout three and walked one. Kevin Moran broke up the no-hitter in the fifth with a lead-off single to right center.

Westfield opened the scoring early for Weber, getting three runs in the first and two in the second.

Bob Berriman opened the first with a single and moved up on Fisk Bacon's hit. Carl Steele then lined a homerun to left-center and Westfield had a 3-0 lead.

In the second, Larry Strycharz singled and was sacrificed to second. Berriman singled in Strycharz and then stole second. Bacon scored Berriman with a single to center.

In the opener, Bob Moniz survived a shaky second inning to post his seventh win in eight decisions.

Moniz gave up five hits in the second inning, including a triple by Skip Fuller, but two WNEC runners were cut down at the plate trying to score.

Westfield had opened a 2-0 lead in the first. Steve Mancini walked and took second on Bacon's single. Jack Dougherty's single scored Mancini and Bob Kallstrom's grounder drove in Bacon.

After Western New England tied it with two in the second, Westfield went ahead for good with two runs in their half of the second. Berriman and Carl Abert singled and moved up on an infield groundout. Bacon then singled up the middle to score Berriman and Abert.

Westfield made it 5-2 in the fifth on a bases loaded walk to Bob Mayo.

The Owls put the game away in the sixth on Bacon's and Kallstrom's two run homeruns.

Westfield pounded out 11 hits in the opener with Bacon and Dougherty collecting three hits apiece.

"Moniz pitched very well after a rough second inning," said Westfield coach Ken Ralph. "After the second he allowed only one hit and retired 12 in a row at one point. We played very well defensively and Weber's performance was near perfect."

Westfield hosts Mass. Maritime in a makeup doubleheader on Thursday and hosts Central Connecticut on Saturday. Dougherty and Mark Pananos will pitch the Thursday doubleheader with Weber slated for Central on Saturday.

Linescores

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WSC	220	014	x-9

1974-1975

Lady Owls Prepare For State Tourney

5/8/75

WESTFIELD—The Westfield State College Women's softball team just finished their most impressive season yet, winning 16 out of 18 regular season games. The young Owls have been seated in the number one position in this years' Massachusetts State College Tournament, being held in Fitchburg. Westfield will play Boston State College in the second game Friday at 2:00 at Fitchburg's Collidge Park. Lowell State plays Fitchburg State in the opening game at noon Friday. The consolation game will be played Saturday at noon with the championship game being played at 2:00.

Westfield's offense has played the staring role for the women batsmen this season with Louise Bieg, Marian Tully, LouAnne Simchak of Westfield, and Mark Hickey providing most of the fire power.

Defense went part and parcel with the loud bats with centerfielder Dorothy Rickus, Merry Hines and Shirley Garrity making many spectacular plays in the field.

Pitching, always so important in this game, was left to the fine junior from Gardner, Pat Owen. Pat won eight regular season games for the Owls with one shut-out. LouAnne Simchak, winner of four games and Pat Owen will be depended upon to handle the mound chores for the Lady Owls. Thereasa Lantz was the stopper for the Owls with six saves and two wins for the season.

Co-captains Judy Breen and Cathy Meader will lead their squad into the tournament Friday. Judy, the firstbaseman, and Cathy, the utility fielder and pitcher had fine seasons, adding their leadership to guide the softball Owls to a very impressive and successful season. The State Championship is all that is left, and the young Lady Owls are primed to bring back the crown.

1974-1975

October 22, 1974

Beard Breaks Record

by Joe Spitz

Senior Mike Beard led WSC in victory over Eastern Connecticut and Rhode Island College as the cross-country team finished out its home season. Beard, who is an All-New England two-miler, demonstrated his ability by not only winning the race, but by covering the five mile course in 25:24. This broke the old WSC record of 25:51, formerly held by Bob Danehy.

Fine running did not end with Beard though, because Kevin Dalton and Jeff Sharpe, who were co-winners in the Amherst meet, also ran inspired races. Dalton, who is proving himself to be a grade A runner as a sophomore, took fifth place in the meet with a time of 26:11. Meanwhile, Jeff Sharpe deliberately stayed in of the pack to unselfishly pace the inexperienced Westfield runners. Even though he stayed back, he still ran strong enough for ninth place.

The big surprise of the week came from senior runner Bill Cosgrove. Bill took seventh place by running his best time (26:30) since his freshman year. Bill Dillan, who fiished sixth, and Cosgrove appear to be on their way to making successful comebacks. If they get back into top form they should strengthen the team a great deal.

Aside from the star-studded running, Westfield's real success lies within the great depth of the freshmen. This great depth proved to be decisive when newcomers Phil Karle and Jim McGilloway finished eleventh and twelth respectively. They clinched the meet with this performance by finishing ahead of Eastern Connecticut's fifth man.

The cross-country team is now unbeaten in three meets, with one remaining contest in Southern Connecticut with Assumption and the University of New Haven. If the WSC harriers can pull out another victory, they will have an undefeated dual-meet season for Coach Gravel.

Volleyball Team Hopes For Tourney Invite

by Joyce Forte

The Women's Varsity and Junior Varsity Volleyball teams are hoping to be invited to the Northeast Regional Volleyball Championship again this year. They ended last year's season with a 7-5 win-loss record, one of the best records for WSC women's sports. At the tournament, they placed 15th out of 20 competing teams. Considering that these 20 teams represented college women's volleyball teams from Pennsylvania to Maine, it is quite a distinction. If the team continues at their present pace, the prospects look good. Their first competition ended in victories over Mount Holyoke, with the varsity girls easily sweeping it, 15-4 and 15-2. The JV's scored 15-10 and 15-3 very impressive! The Springfield College game, October 22nd, ended with a Westfield loss of 15-5 and 15-10, which evened up the team record to 1-1.

Varsity captain Mary McGee, a Delaventura, who just graduated from Central Connecticut. She keeps the girls in practice 5 days a week, at least 2 hours a day in the gym.

In the past, there has been a good-sized crowd of spectators to cheer on the home games in the WSC gymnasium. It is hoped that this response continues this season. On Saturday, October 26th, there will be three- team competition tournament here, with URI and Barrington. All spectators are welcome. Upcoming games include women's volleyball teams from Browne, University of Connecticut, University of Bridgeport and State College competition verses North Adams, Worcester and Fitchburg. Keep posted for the appropriate times and dates. The volleyball season ends December 3rd.

We all wish the team luck and join in their hopes for another honorable invitation to the Northeast Regional Women's Volleyball Championship.

1974-1975

New Coach, Field Aid Field Hockey Team

by Joyce Forte

The women's field hockey team got off to a winning start this season with a victory over URI, 1-0. The girls are being coached by Mrs. Henrietta "Hank" Stone, a graduate physical education major from Smith College. This year's team is composed of about twenty-four freshmen, sophomores and juniors, with Janet Rushton as offensive captain and Donna Geffrey defensive captain. Team goalie is Sharon Carlson and Kate O'Brien serves as manager.

The girls have really been working hard with daily practices and a schedule of about three games per week. Some of the members even attended a special hockey camp in Pennsylvania for a week in September. Now, they all run a mile daily, on their own, plus afternoon practice. The girls must keep in shape for the fast paced home games on the new astroturf field. Now that there are no bumps or holes to worry about, this makes quite a difference in the pace of the games. "It's now a faster game, much more controlled," commented Martha McDonald, a junior team member. With games consisting of two thirty minute halves, with no substitutions, the girls really get a workout!

Plus the regular schedule, the women's field hockey team competed at the UMass Sports Day, Saturday September 28 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. A series of three, twenty-five minute scrimmage games were played versus Springfield College, UConn., and UMass. Also represented at the Sports Day were women's field hockey teams from Dartmouth, Keene State, Worcester and Bridgewater State, and Northeastern University.

So far, the team record stands at three wins, two losses, and one tie. One of the victories was over the Fitchburg team. There is a possibility that, due to this win, Westfield may compete in the state Women's Field Hockey Championship Play-offs at the end of October-beginning of November.

The next two years look very promising since the team has a good number of enthusiastic sophomores and freshmen.

Women's Tennis Triumphs

by Ron Gerwatowski

The girls tennis team is young and talented this year. With the excepption of only three Juniors, the team consists of Sophomores and Freshmen.

Coach Van Ellen is very optomistic and is looking forward to a fine season.

One bright spot on the team is Mary-Jo D'Arcy. Dr. Van Ellen thinks highly of this young Freshman and considers her number one this year. Second in the Singles is Sophomore Wendy Rudman, who returns with a year of experience behind her. Thid is Captain Nancy Page, who is a Junior and the most experienced tennis player on the team. Another Freshman is Sue Nyzio, she has a promising future playing for WSC. Playing fifth, sixth, and seventh respectively are Sophomore Pam Sylvia, Junior Debbie Thompson, and Sophomore Anne Paradis.

1974-1975

WSC Sports

WSC Tops Soccer Conference

Westfield Stat College became the soccer champions of their conference with a 5-3 victory over Salem State. The game could have gone either way, but the Owls of WSC came back from a 2-1 deficit to clinch the conference crown.

WSC - 13, Nichols - 1

Way back on October 2, the Westfield booters had a great offensive game. The defense even chipped in with a couple of goals for the Owls, as they defeated Nichols by 13-1. Denny Dugas played a decent game by scoring five goals for the Owls, while Alley Goncalves had four assists. Another goal in the game came by full-back Carl Steele, when he and Dugas switched to give Carl the opportunity to score.

The three senior lineman, Bino Goncalves, Billy Lownds, and Billy Martin, each chipped in with a goal for the victorious Owls. Chris Moukas also scored with a fine shot from just inside the box. As the coach switched his players around throughout the game, freshmen Chris Roukas and Tim Sicard each cashed in a goal.

WSC - 6, Framingham - 2

Westfield's defense has really been doing the job for the Owls. Fullbacks Ken McCarron, Steve Mancini, Carl Steele and Gary Rodriques have been helping Mike Walker in front of the cage with fine defensive plays. The Framingham game was another hot one for Denny Dugas, as he could only muster up a hat trick (three goals) for the Owl booters. Alley Goncalves played a super game with two goals and one assist, while John Amaral had two assists and one goal. The ball was passed around very nicely by the Owls in this game, with short passes on the ground and chip through passes when they were needed.

North Adams - 2, WSC - 0

What a barn-burner! The Westfield Owls had 26 shots on goal, as opposed to North Adams' 8 shots on Mike Walker. Seven of North Adams' shots were by the same player, until the closing minutes when a rookie came off the North Adams bench to put the icing on the cake. WSC just could not put the ball in the net, went into this game over-confident, because they did not play up to par.

WSC - 7, Lowell - 0

It was clear to the fans that WSC felt they had the superior team, because all the underclassmen and other non-starters became starters. In the opening minutes, Tim Sicard got a chip through pass by Chris Roukas for the first score. Later on in the half, he scored again on another assist by Roukas. Toward the end of the half, the coach sent in his first team to see what they could do in ten minutes. Denny Dugas, John Amaral, and Bino Goncalves each scored in that short time. In the second half, Chris Roukas scored on a pass from Mike Gauthier and Mike Androkonis scored on a pin-point pass from Mike Lodigiani.

WSC - 1, Springfield - 1

The first half of the game was evenly matched, even though Springfield possibly had a slight edge in play. Springfield controlled the ball a little more than the Owls, but our booters missed goals on golden opportunities. The defense for Westfield was outstanding, with Mike Walker making saves typical of those found on the cover of Sports Illustrated.

The first goal came on a rifle shot by senior lineman Billy Martin as the Owls jumped ahead 1-0. Billy scored when he booted a loose ball off some unknown player into the opposite corner of the net.

The Springfield goal came soon after. From the sidelines one could see it coming, but little could be done. Just outside the Westfield box, a Springfield player was left alone behind a small crowd that could have screened Mike Walker from the play. This player found a small opening and shot the ball through to the opposite corner to end the game in a 1-1 deadlock.

UMass - 2, WSC - 1

To be blunt, the Westfield booters played their worst game of the year in this one. They were not trapping the ball correctly, passing accurately, nor were they getting their usual shots on goal. In addition to this, there was no hustle and there was a lack of communication.

Westfield's lone goal came when a UMass fullback accidently put the ball in his own net. The UMass goals were scored on two nice plays. The first goal came on a shot that Mike Walker never saw and the second came on a shot that he didn't have a chance to save.

WSC - 12, Fitchburg - 0

The scoring in this game was really spread out among the team. Alley Goncalves and Tim Sicard scored two a piece for the victorious Owls. Other first half goals were by Chris Moukas, Mike Gauthier, and John Amaral. Denny Dugas got another goal to boost his scoring average, while Mike Lodigiani, Elidio Mateus, and Chris Lynch each scored their first goals of the season. Senior Bino Goncalves scored earlier in the game, while John Amaral and Chris Roukas each had three assists to polish it off, 12-0.

The Owl defense is really proving itself to be a good one. WSC has only given up 12 goals this season for a 1.2 goals against average. This is a big reason why the team is number one.

The champion Owls now have an over-all record of 10-3-1, as of October 25. Three more victories could send them to the NCAA playoffs. Good Luck!

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Monday, November 4, 1974

State Score Board

Soccer Results

October 2 - WSC 13 Nichols 1
4 - WSC 6 Framingham 2
7 - North Adams 2 WSC 0
9 - WSC 7 Lowell State 0
11 - WSC 1 Springfield 1
15 - UMass 2 WSC 1
17 - WSC 12 Fitchburg 0
19 - Castleton 2 WSC 1
23 - WSC 2 East Conn. 0
WSC record as of October 23
(9 wins, 3 losses, 1 tie)

Womans Volleyball Results

October 17 WSC defeated AIC 2-9
(15-8, 15-8)
24 Keene defeated WSC 2-0
(15-13, 15-13)
WSC record, as of October 24
(3 wins, 2 losses)

Mens Tennis Results

September 17 - WSC 8 WNEC 1
24 - WSC 7 Worcester 2
26 - WSC 8 Framingham 1
28 - WSC 5 Lowell 4
30 - WSC 7 WNEC 2
October 5 - WSC 6 Lowell 3
7 - North Adams 6 WSC 2
9 - WSC 7 Worcester 2
Final Record (7 wins, 1 loss)

Womans Field Hockey Results

September 30 - Hartwick 1 WSC 0
October 3 - Mt. Holyoke 5 WSC 0
8 - WSC 1 West Conn. 0
10 WSC 1 Central Conn. 1
15 - U. of Bridgeport 1 WSC 0
17 WSC 1 North Adams 0
19 - WSC 3 Jackson 0
22 - Worcester 4 WSC 1
WSC record, as of October 22
(3 wins, 4 losses, 1 tie)

Golfers Duff Season

The WSC golf team had an unfortunate experience this year. After playing 70% of the season, the team found out that they had accidently broken eligibility rules.

WSC played out most of the season with a card carrying PGA apprentice on the team. This student, who will remain unidentified, is an official professional. He was not supposed to be playing under the NCAA eligibility rules and fortunately, Athletic Director Paul Bogan found out before the season ended.

If someone who was not connected with the school had found out about the affair, it would have been worse. Other sports could have been affected and the situation might have been blown out of proportion.

In any case, the college was forced to forfeit all the matches that this golfer participated in. Instead of WSC finishing the season with an 8-2 record, it ended with a miserable 1-9 record.

It is unfortunate that this student, Coach Leblanc, or anyonelse involved did not realize what was happening sooner. It is really a shame because this not only affected the student involved, but it affected all the golfers on the team. Let us hope that WSC has learned its lesson and nothing like this will happen again in golf or in any other sport.

SSA Cuts Cost of Skiing

Like everything else, the price of skiing is continuing to climb. But over 150 major ski resorts across the country are now offering special rates to college and high school students who belong to the Student Ski Association. Over 100,000 students have joined SSA in the past five years.

The discounts include half-price ski lift tickets, lessons and equipment rentals on weekdays and $1 or more discounts on weekends and holiday periods.

Last season 44,000 joined the nation's only student ski discount organization, whose membership dues are only $6 per season. Members also receive a season's subscription to THE STUDENT SKIER, skiing's only underground publication, and POOR HOWARD'S COLLEGE GUIDE TO SKIING, which lists the least expensive lodges close to participating ski areas together with maps, data and descriptive information on ski areas and money-saving methods for skiing.

This is the first season that membership in the Student Ski Association has been open to high school and preparatory school students.

The Student Ski Association also arranges week-long and weekend ski trips to major ski resorts in the East, Midwest and Rocky Mountains at very low costs. Members can choose from charter flights from New York or Hartford to SSA's huge college ski carnival in Aspen, Colorado, January 4 to 11, 1975. Hundreds of students from colleges around the country attend each carnival.

For more information or a $6 membership write: The Student Ski Association, 233 N. Pleasant St., Amherst, MA 01002 or 2438 No. Clark St., Chicago, Ill. 60614.

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The Student Ski Association, famous for the half-price ski lift tickets its 44,000 members receive at 150 major ski areas nationwide, recently announced the 1974/75 winter schedule of low cost ski trips.

SSA Carnivals will be held at major ski resorts in the East, Midwest and Rocky Mountains. Lasting from two to seven days each, the carnivals include all ski lift tickets, first class lodging and,

WSC Sports

Young Runners Rise

by Joe Spitz

The Westfield State cross-country team put in a good effort, but fell short of a victory when they lost to Boston State in the conference championship meet. Seven teams competed in the meet, but the scoring was dominated by Boston State and Westfield.

Boston State stole the meet in the early part of the race by placing three runners in the top four places.

A sick Mike Beard took fifth place, running far from par due to his cold. A tired Jeff Sharpe ran one of the poorest races that he has ever run in his three years at WSC. Sharpe finished 9th on the team, which is the first time that he has not finished in the top five. It can be assured that Beard and Sharpe will come back from their bad day in later meets.

The Owls lost by only nine points (34-43), so if Beard or Jeff Sharpe had been able to break into Boston State's top running group, the results would have been different.

Over-all, there were signs of encouragement as Westfield's younger runners rose to the occasion and performed admirably. Within the top fifteen finishes, five were freshmen or sophomores from Westfield.

Freshman Kevin Dalton finished 8th; freshmen Phil Karle and Mark Asaro finished tied for 9th; Jim McGilloway, also a freshman, finished 12th; and sophomore Joe Spitz finished 15th. This shows a good future for the Owl cross-country team.

In the meet, Mark Asaro and Jim McGilloway ran especially strong races, improving considerably over their last race on the course. Senior Bill Cosgrove finished 11th, enabling the Owls to place six runners in front of Boston's 4th and 5th men, but it wasn't enough.

The Westfield State Harriers had two remaining meets; the New Englands, which took place on November 11, and the IC4A's on November 18.

Athletic Counsel Discusses Problems

by Pat Findlan

On October 24, the Athletic Council met to discuss the problems which led to a recent student boycott of the October 10 Council meeting. Present at the meeting were the Executive Board of Student Senate, Dean Mckenna, Mr. Bogan, Dr. Virgilio, Dr. Randolf, Academic Dean Marcotte and past Athletic Council member Dennis McCarthy.

Rather than discussing the issues, the meeting was held to cite areas of concern and possible methods of resolution. Four areas were cited:

A.) Payment of golf coach--$700.00, 1973-74.

B.) Need to develope College-wide policy regarding athletics.

C.) Payment of basketball coach for 1973-74 and 1974-75 seasons. $1,000.00 and $5,000.00, respectively.

D.) Payment to Westfield State College faculty members for coaching above and beyond classroom responsibilities; payment to non-Westfield State College faculty members for coaching; and coaching as part of responsibilities of the physical education faculty without additional renumeration.

The payment of the golf coach was handled at the October 30, meeting of Athletic Council when $700.00 was allocated. The other areas of concern have not been resolved as of yet, but will be the focus of the Council's attention in upcoming weeks.

The student members of the Athletic Council are Steve Goulet (Chairman), Janet Peluso, Evin Elgin, Mary Sedlac, Pat Findlen, and John Mahoney.

Open meetings are held on periodic Wednesdays at 3:30 in SU 130.

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Owls to St. Louis?

by Tim Sicard

WSC-2, East Conn.-0.

It looked as though it was going to be a tough one for the Owls, but midway through the first half, WSC began attacking the East Conn. goal. The first goal came when Alley Goncalves dribbled up past midfield and laid off a square pass to Denny Dugas. Dugas preceded to give John Amaral, who was standing on the right side of the goalmouth, a chip through pass. Amaral easily pushed the ball into the near corner off the inside of the goal post.

The second and final goal of the game was a pretty play. An Owl half-back boomed the ball down the left wing, where John Amaral was waiting. When John got control of it, he beat the opposing wing full-back down the left side and forced the East Conn. center full-back to leave his position. This left Denny Dugas sitting alone in front of the net. Amaral unselfishly pushed the ball out to Dugas, who simply deflected the ball into the net for the score.

WSC-5, Salem State-3.

It was a dismal, rainy day up in Salem and things were not looking too good. The Owls had a couple of injuries and the field was in terrible condition.

The Owl booters scored first when Alley Goncalves fed a pin-point pass to Denny Dugas to give him a partial break-away. Minutes later, a Salem State forward intercepted a Westfield pass and tied the score at 1-1. Salem was dominant in the first-half of play, but the score remained the same.

In the second half Salem jumped to a 2-1 lead and appeared to be on its way to victory. Suddenly, the tide changed and WSC started to show its offensive and defensive strength. Within a span of twenty minutes, the Owls scored four goals and jumped into a commanding 5-2 lead. John Amaral was the first to score in this span, on a pass from Denny Dugas. Billy Martin scored on a perfect pass from Alley Goncalves and Carl Steele got a goal on a corner kick by Chris Moukas. The final WSC goal was scored by Denny Dugas on another pass from Goncalves.

The final score was 5-3, but it could have been worse. If Salem State's goalie, Billy Linchman, had not played such a great game, the Owls could have scored nine goals instead of five.

WSC-8, New Paltz-0.

The Owl booters romped over New Paltz to improve their record to 11-3-1. Both Denny Dugas and Bino Goncalves had a pair of goals, while Chris Moukas, Bill Lownds, Alley Goncalves, and Bill Martin contributed one each. Westfield showed scoring balance as eight different players picked up assists on the goals. It was one of the best played games of the season.

WSC-2, WNEC-0.

The game started off evenly matched as both teams were getting shots on goal and were working the ball around well. Westfield finally scored late in the half when Carl Steele laid off a pass to Alley Goncalves, who booted the ball home. A while later, Alley scored again on a through pass by Denny Dugas. The game ended 2-0 and lifted the Owl booters' record to 12-3-1.

WSC-3, Quinnipiac-1.

WSC looked very sluggish in this game. It looked as though the Owls were trying to walk the ball right into the net, which cannot be done too easily.

Quinnipiac scored first when one of their forwards rambled up the middle and surprisingly got by an Owl full-back. Goalie Mike Walker had to commit himself and came out to try and cut down the angle, but the forward slipped it by Mike to put Quinnipiac in the lead 1-0. Quinnipiac did not score after this, but the Owl offense still had trouble scoring. Full-back Carl Steele moved up to center forward and finally put the Owls on the scoreboard with a head-ball, on a chip-pass by Steve Mancini. In the second half, Chris Moukas took a corner kick and Ken McCarron headed it into the nets for the go-ahead goal, 2-1. (Just ask him about the big one; he will tell you about it.)

Later on in the second half, the Owls finished up in the scoring column. Denny Dugas gave a nice rolling pass to left-winger Billy Lownds who rifled a shot pass the opposing goalie. It was the 84th Owl goal of the season and a fine way to finish it.

The Westfield Owls hope to get a post-season tournament bid and probably will. If they do, they will be in the Third Division Class of the NCAA, which is the best soccer in the country. The Regionals most likely will be played on our own field and if WSC wins those two games, On To St. Louis!

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WSC Has a Hockey Team

By RON GERWATOWSKI

Westfield State College has a hockey team. The team is in its first year as an official varsity club and will play a full eleven game schedule. Many students do not realize that the college has a team because in the past years the hockey squad was not officially backed by the school. This year will be different because the school will fully support them.

They are under the direction of first-year coach Mike Holubowich and will dress eighteen players and two goaltenders. Since it is a first year varsity team, it is obviously going to be a building year, but they still have some capable talent that should lead to an intersting season.

Although it is the first year, the Owls still have a little experience behind them. With the exception of a few skaters, most of the team played some High School hockey. A number of the upper classmen played last year when it was not officially backed by the college, so there are some experienced leaders.

According to Coach Holubowich, it is hard to predict how talented the team will be because they have not had an actual game experience yet. From what he can see so far, the team will skate three strong lines and alternate a fourth on different shifts. The coach is confident in each line and places them in no special order.

Captain Jerry Twohig will center one of the lines with senior Paul Fulton and sophomore Dennis King. Alternate captain Steve MacLeod will be flanked by Bill Burke and freshman Chad Lesage to make up another line and alternate captain Bill Sorenson, form another. Freshman Mike Boykin centers a fourth line between juniors Jack Napoli and Bob Kelleher.

WSC's main strength probably lies within their offense. The ability to skate three strong lines can be a decisive factor in close games.

Their defense needs an awful lot of work. They have the ability, but lack experience in this area. Alternate captain Bill Sweeney leads the defensive corps while senior Mike Tomasko and junior Rex Stevens should help out immensely.

Freshman Dave Perreault looks like a fine defensive prospect for the future, but at this point he lacks experience. Freshman Kevin Falvey will also be playing defense after being converted from center. Falvey was converted to defense because of his size and potential ability to play the position effectively. Tom Rogers will also be playing defense and helping the team with his great desire to play. Coach Holubowich thinks highly of the goal-tending and claims that their is great depth in this position. Former Westfield High School goalie Larry Strycharz is a junior this year and very good at his position. Freshman Bob Austin is the number two goalie. The coach is impressed with Austin and claims that the tall rangy fellow is excellent for the future.

Forty-two players originally tried out for the team in early November and two cuts were made to bring the roster down to its present size. At first the team was made up of a group of individuals without the feeling of team concept. After much hard work and dedication their attitude changed and they are now blossoming into a team.

WSC will open the regular season at North Adams on December 4. There first home game will not be played until January 22, but they play their home games at the Springfield Civic Center.

The Owls will compete in Division 3 of the State College Conference against some experienced teams. Coach Holubowich cannot promise any miracles, but he states that "We will produce a competitive and representative hockey team".

Here is the schedule:
Dec. 4 Wed. North Adams Away
Dec. 7 uat. Framingham Away
Dec. 12 Thu. Fitchburg Away
Jan. 15 Wed. Portland Goreham Away
Jan. 22 Wed. Worcester Home
Jan. 28 Tue. Bridgewater Home
Feb. 3 Mon. Fitchburg Home
Feb. 6 Thu. SMU Home
Feb. 11 Tue. SMU Away
Feb. 24 Mon. North Adams Home
Feb. 27 Thu. Boston State Away
Coach: Mike Holubowich
Asst. Coach: Scott Murdock
Manager Trainer: Tom Grandy
Equipment Mgr.: Glen Santiere

WSC-10 C.G. - 1

By KEN McCARRON

On Saturday November 16, the WSC Owls opened up their tournament hopes with a 10-1 win over the Coast Guard Academy of New London, Conn. The first ten minutes of the game could have been the Coast Guards best chance to stage an attack because after that it was the Owl's game all the way.

The Owls played Framingham in the finals of the Division 3 Regional Playoffs on November 20. By the time you are reading this, the Owls may be on their way to Illinois for the finals. GOOD LUCK!!!

WSC U.S.C. Guard. Photo by Benson

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New Club Soars

The newest club on the campus and perhaps the most unique, is the Soaring Club. At present it boasts 14 active members...perhaps addicts would be closer to the truth, for that is what one becomes. The Soaring club is seeking others who would like to take advantage of the flying bargain of the century.

But what is it? Soaring, of course, is the art and craft of flying in a sailplane. That's a sailplane in the photo. A sailplane is not designed for transportation, that is, you would not board a sailplane at Barnes Airport and fly to Boston in an hour. A sailplane is designed purely for sport. For "pure flight", it is to the power-flying what the sailboat is to the power boat and like the boat, you and your plane become one with the elements and exploit them for your enjoyment. The sport of soaring is often referred to, in fact, as "Sky Sailing".

For folks who like numbers: a sailplane can coast for four miles in a straight line, losing only one thousand feet of altitude...or eight miles while giving up two thousand feet and so forth, but merely sliding downhill is not what makes skysailing the joy that it is. A sailplane can soar like a bird. The same way that they do, too. On upslope wind and in thermals, rising columns of warm air. Flights of five hours and more are not at all uncommon when a pilot becomes skilled in locating "life"

A word about skill: like the "fastest gun", folks always seem to want to see who is the most skilled in any endeavor. Soaring's no different. So projected for the near future is competition within our own ranks and then with friendly enemies in the neighborhood. Like North Adams State who have owned their own silplane for some time and like UMass, that offers four P.E. courses for credit. When we can beat them, we'll look for other people.

Money: Soaring is probably the least expensive sort of flying that exists, but that is not to say that it is cheap. The Soaring Club, by sharing costs with the student pilot has managed to cut his expenses in half! The club however has got to find ways of raising funds if it is going to continue this super bargain. So be on the lookout for posters around the campus advertising "Beer and Bingo Night"...You just might win something, you will certainly have a good time and you will be helping something really good to get off the ground.

...And if you're interested in soaring, just drop a note to that effect to Mr. Lehan, Club Advisor, in the faculty mail.

TRIBUTE TO SOCCER

By Tim Sicard

On Wednesday, December 3, the team held a small Banquet at the Hillbrook House in Westfield. At the banquet, the team received a delicious meal and were notified of certain awards which will be given out later on. But here were some of the rewards:

Mike Walker — Coaches Award
Ken McCarron — Best Defense
Denny Dugas — Best Offense
Chris Lynch — Most Promising Freshman
Allie Goncalves — Voted onto the New England All Star Team
Allie Concalves — Department Award (MVP)

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We were also notified of some records broken:

17 wins in one season-Previous record 15
108 goals scored in one season-previous record 86
27 goals by Denny Dugas-previous record 25
21 assists by Allie Goncalves-previous record 18
74 games played in career-Billy Lownds-previous record 68

Well, that wraps up this year's team, which has compiled a record of 17-4-2. We'd like to say good-bye to the seniors on the team.

Injured-Paul Whalley* Goalie- Mike Walker*
Winger-Billy Lownds Winger- Bino Goncalves
Inside-Billy Martin Manager-Bob Dolan
Trainer- Steve Vanick
*Captains

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BASKETBALL PREVIEW

By Ron Gerwatowski

The Westfield State basketball team is young this year, but the squad has high hopes and is striving for a winning season and possible tournament bid. Captain Ben Adams is the only senior on the team which consists of seven juniors, five sophomores, and one freshman.

According to Coach Matt Zunic, the Owls have the potential, but at this point they lack game experience. If the team can learn to discipline themselves, they may turn the season into a fine one.

As it stands now, the starting five are Ben Adams and David Rose at guards; Tom Parks and Warren Bowman at the forward positions; and big Dwayne Jackson at center.

The team is led by guard Ben Adams and forward Tom Parks. Adams averaged 12 points a game last season and his experience will be a big asset to the team. Parks, a 6'4" junior, averaged 11 points a game last year while leading the team in rebounds with 248. Wayne Bowman will be starting at the other forward position. Bowman pulled down a total of 101 rebounds this past season, so he and Parks will help out immensely under the basket. Center Dwayne Jackson also has the ability to pick up the rebounds. The 6'7" sophomore lacks experience, but he can do the job effectively.

At the other guard position will be David Rose. Rose didn't see much action last year, but the agile guard has a year of junior varsity behind him. Guards Carl Steele and Mike Perry will also be seeing plenty of action along with sophomore Dean Burt and 6'9" center Jeff Bowman.

The rest of the varsity squad is made up of junior guard Robert Cannon, sophomores Wayne Croxen, Tom Depelteau, and Paul Whyte, and Freshman forward Ed Deveau.

In the City Classic Tournament on December 6 and 7, the WSC Owls lost two tough ball games. They lost 67-66 to WNEC, and 75-71 to AIC. With more experience behind the Owls, the scores could have easily been turned around. In the two games, Tom Parks led scoring with a two-game total of 40 points. Ben Adams had 26, David Rose 23, Jackson 22, and Wayne Bowman had 18.

The Owls first home game is against Framingham State on December 20. They will play three other home games in January and will finish off the season in February with five more at home.

OWLS SINK MASS MARITIME

by Michael Crosby

In one of the best games the Owls have played this year, the disciplined and determined men demolished Mass. Maritime 90-61. Using a very effective full court press, Westfield forced the Academy into numerous tight situations, producing turnovers, and giving Westfield some gifted points.

The Owls' passes were crisp, and the rebound action was all in Westfield's favor, especially on the offensive boards.

Midway through the first half, the score read 30-13, in Westfield's favor. Coach Matt Zunic then began to replace some of the regular players with substitutes. But when the team slackened and Mass. Maritime began to make a comeback, the starting five were brought back in to knock down any possible threats Mass. Maritime might try to compose. The halftime score was 53-25.

When play resumed in the second half, the secondary team came back on the floor and dominantly controlled play. The Owls more or less breezed through the rest of the game to the final buzzer.

There were many heroes in the rout. Ben Adams, who opened the game with one of his famous two-point bombs, had 23 points. Jeff Bowman scored 22 points and had 9 rebounds. Burt collected 9 caroms also. All in all it was a great team effort and a productive night.

In other games played by the W.S.C. basketball team, the Owls downed Lowell 98-70. High scorers in the game were W. Bowman 15, Adams 14, Deveau 12, and Parks 10. Parks also fought for 10 rebounds.

On January 30, Westfield went down in defeat at the hands of Eastern Connecticut. The final score in the close contest was 63-60. The top point-getters in the losing effort were Parks with 16, Adams with 10, and Burt with 10.

The Owls have only three games remaining. They play Fitchburg and North Adams at home before concluding their season at Framingham.

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W.S.C. HOCKEY

by Scott Featherman

The WSC hockey team won their first conference game on Dec. 12 against Fitchburg State College at Fitchburg. Their first two conference games were losses, but the team as a whole has shown great ability, and has the potential to become a competative team for the next couple of years.

As their record stands at 2 wins and 4 losses after the Worcester State game (which they lost), they still have a slim chance at pulling a winning record. This all depends on whether they can keep improving over each game. There is only one thing that has really been hurting the team and that is the lack of ice time for practice. The team is lucky if they can muster more than two hours of practice before each game. Most teams practice two hours a day and therefore have a better chance at winning.

At times the team has a good offense, but their defense seems to slip during the second or third period of each game. If this could be overcome, the team could be a real upset team. Most of the opposing teams' goals have been scored in the second or third periods.

Team Captain Jerry Twohig has been playing exceptionally well though missing one game. Jerry is also leading the team in points at this time as well as being tied for the most goals scored. Dennis King, Dan Devereaux, Paul Fulton, Chad LeSage, Kevin Falvey and Steve MacLeod have also been playing good games. Chad LeSage played an outstanding game against Fitchburg scoring two goals, one of which was unassisted. Dan Devereaux has been playing well on defense. Goalies Joe Haswell and Bob Austin have also been playing well in the nets.

Here are the WSC hockey scoring and defense statistics:

	games	g.	a.	pts.
J. Twohig	5	4	5	9
D. King	6	4	2	6
C. LeSage	5	4	2	6
P. Fulton	6	2	4	6
K. Falvey	5	1	5	6
S. MacLeod	6	2	3	5
D. Devereaux	6	2	2	4
D. Sheehan	5	1	2	3
E. Sweeney	6	0	3	3
M. Boykin	6	1	1	2
J. Napoli	6	0	2	2
R. Stevens	6	0	2	2
A. Gray	4	1	0	1
D. Perrault	6	0	1	1
T. Rodger	6	0	1	1
B. Kelleher	6	0	0	0
M. Tomasko	6	0	0	0
B. Burke	1	0	0	0

	games	g.	aga.	saves	ave.
B. Austin	3.5	42	171		12.0
J. Haswell	2.5	19	96		7.6

Come on out and watch WSC play hockey; the team would appreciate your support.

Dan Devereaux [center] and Pul Fulton [far left] skate in on a two on one break.
Photo by Everding

Dave Sheehan stick-handles across center ice as Kevin Falvey looks on. Photo by Everding

HOCKEY STATS

Here's the latest rundown on the hockey team:

	Games	G.	A.	Pts.
C. LeSage	8	11	4	15
J. Twohig	8	5	7	12
D. Sheehan	8	2	8	10
R. Stevens	9	2	7	9
K. Falvey	8	1	8	9
P. Fulton	9	3	5	8
D. King	8	4	3	7
S. MacLeod	9	3	4	7
D. Devereaux	9	4	2	6
B. Sweeney	9	1	4	5
D. Perreault	9	2	2	4
A. Gray	7	1	2	3
J. Napoli	9	0	3	3
T. Rodger	9	0	2	2
B. Kelleher	9	0	0	0
M. Tomasko	9	0	0	0
B. Burke	1	0	0	0

	Games	Saves	G.A.	Ave.
J. Haswell	4½	190	32	7.1
B. Austin	4½	217	51	10.4

Team Record: 3 wins, 6 losses
Record since last issue of the Owl.

Bridgewater St.	lost	11-4
Fitchburg St.	lost	5-4
Southeastern Mass.	won	10-2

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BASKETBALL

by Michael Crosby

A slow start, and a fast finish, that's how the game went, as Westfield ran out of time at the end. The final score was 71-68, as the Bridgewater Bears came close to letting the Owls pull off a victory.

The game was sloppy, with few plays being well executed. Numerous turnovers were committed in the opening minutes with little scoring, however, both teams shortly began hitting from the outside.

The Bears began to pull ahead and stretch their lead, when they were getting two and three chances at scoring from collecting the rebounds of their own missed shots. This Owl mishap, combined with Bridgewater's tight defense, held the Westfield five from creeping too close on the scoreboard.

Ben Adams got Westfield back in the game with a couple long bombs, and his usual skilled leadership on the court. This was only in vain, as Walch, of Bridgewater, matched Adams' craftsmanship, keeping the visitors ahead with a modest lead. The first half came to a close with the score 34-28.

The second half started off with a flash, both teams controlling the ball and boards efficiently.

Westfield had to play catch-up, and without their captain Ben Adams, who had fouled out.

Tom Parks, Warren Bowman, and Dwayne Jackson began making baskets count for the Owls, as Bridgewater began to sweat.

Time became a factor, and the Owls made some costly fouls. McSharry, one of the Bears sharp back courtmen, continuously drove inside to attract the fouls. This maneuver payed off, as McSharry made all of his ten attempted free throws count.

Andrew came steaming back for Westfield with a two-pointer, and with 2:10 remaining, the Owls, trailed by six.

Westfield called time, and when play resumed, they completely dominated the game.

However, with 53 seconds left, playmaker Bob Cannon fouled out. Westfield was down by only three points, but they could'nt force Bridgewater to give Westfield more scoring opportunities, and time ran out.

There were four Owls in double figures in the scoring department: Andrew and Bowman each had 15 points, Tom Parks 14, and Ben Adams with 12.

Awards Banquet

by Ron Gerwatowski

On January 27, a small informal awards ceremony was held in Ely sixth floor for the first semester intramural sports. Approximately fifty people attended. Director of the intramural sports program, Ken Magarian, presented awards to each member of the championship teams.

The first awards were given out to the woman's softball champions, the "Jokers". The men's softball champions were the "Holes". Magarian commended the team by saying, "There has not been a more successful team at Westfield State in the intramural program. The "Holes" also took the championship in men's football.

The women's football awards went to the "Notre Dames". It was the second consecutive year that these girls won the championship.

According to Director Magarian, the largest, most successful, and most enjoyed sport was girls volleyball. The champions were "Our Gang", but ironically, only one member of the team was present to receive an award. The Co-ed winner was "Integration".

In the Badminton Tournament, the winners in woman's doubles were Nino Nascimbeni and Jean Petell. Woman's Singles were taken by Dr. Fantasia, while Mr. Ralph came away with that honor in the Men's division. Men's doubles were also won by Mr. Ralph, along with Mr. Ford. Dr. Fantasia, Mr. Ralph, and Mr. Ford were not present at the ceremony to receive their awards.

According to Mr. Magarian, the cross-country open was not the greatest success because it was held too late. However, the race was still held and the winner was Mike Bartini. No woman participated in the event.

Two well-deserved individual awards were given to the female and male participants "who showed good sportsmanship and represented the college well, in their sportsmanlike conduct". The recipients of these awards were Ken Gunn for the men and Lee Connolly for thw women. Unfortunately, Lee was unaware of her award, and left the ceremony early without receiving the trophy.

A film entitled "The Heisman Trophy" was supposed to be shown after the awards were given out. Unfortunately, nobody stuck around to see it. After most of the students had departed, it was suggested that "someone stand at the door and hand out a piece of cake and a trophy to all the winners at the ceremony for next semester".

Intramural sports for the second semester will include basketball one on one, indoor hockey, hockey one on one, a wrestling tournament, tennis tournament, and an afternoon for track and field.

WOMEN'S HOOP

by Ron Gerwatowski

This years womens basketball is played under rules that are very similar to the men's game. The rules are identical except that there is no backcourt violation and the women must play by a 30 second shooting clock, which has speeded the game up immensely.

Westfield State is under the direction of first-year coach Judy Urbin. The team has a roster of twelve and plays a seventeen game schedule. A new addition is the Junior Varsity team. They also carry a roster of twelve.

As of February 10, the team had played seven games and won four of them. They have defeated R.I.C. 76-44, North Adams 67-49, Holy Cross 78-28, and Clark 71-67. They came up short against Worcester 78-42, Keene 89-43, and Eastern Conn. 56-49.

The girls are steadily improving with each game, in fact they had won their last three in a row. They are led by the high-scoring Dorothy Rickus. Dorotny has scored more than thirty points in three games and has a 25 point average. Second on the team in scoring is Kerry Hines, who has a 10 point average. According to Coach Urbin, Pam Turner also deserves some credit for her defesive play, "she doesn't show in the statistics, but always comes through in the clutch".

Running down the entire varsity roster with scoring totals listed respectively are: Mary Hickey 24, Louise Breg 18, Cathy Meader 16, LouAnn Simchak 17, Pat Byrnes 13, Liz Hooton 7, Carol Thompson 18, and Jjudy Breen 9.

The Junior Varsity has a smaller schedule than the Varsity. So far this season the J.V. squad has two wins and one loss. The top two scoring leaders are Sheila Banazoi and Linda Quitiliani with 10 and 8 point averages, respectively.

TRACK IS BACK

The W.S.C. Indoor Track Team is alive and well. Earlier in the year the team was hampered by an Athletic Council decision to discontinue financial support. However, team members, along with Coach Gravel, initiated a fund raising campaign. They sponsored two dances and are presently in the process of conducting a raffle to help cover team expenses. It has all been worthwhile, as the team is enjoying a most successful season.

The Owl "thinclads" have traveled to meets at Beverly, Tufts, Williams, and a dual meet at Southern Connecticut. Their dual meet record, at present, is two wins against two losses. Freshmen indoor records have been established by Bernard Webley in th 60yd. (6.3), Gary Robidoux in the pole vault (12'6"), Lenny Eddy in both the long jump (21'3½") and the triple jump (43'3") Steve Finkel in the shot put (41'10"), John "J.B." Bailey in the 1,000 yd. (2:20.0), and Jim McGilloway in the two mile run (9:33.0). Five of these records (signified by an *) also constitute overall school records.

Soph. Jim Peters, has also established a new school record in the 600yd. run with the time of 1:13.8 which qualified him for the New England Championships held at Tufts University on Feb. 28. Other New England qualifiers included Senior Mike Beard in the two-mile (9:16.7), who is returning after finishing a strong fourth in this same event last year, Senior Jeff Sharpe in the 880yd. (1:57.9), and in the 60yd. dash Webley (6.3), Soph. Mike Colbert (6.4), and Frosh. Kenny Hughes (6.4).

All participants are looking forward to an extensive spring track schedule, with meets to be held on our new all-weather track and field facility. No funds have yet been allotted to cover the costs of equipment, (i.e. hurdles, landing pits, etc.) necessary to conduct a track meet. Without this equipment all the hard work is useless as the schedule would have to be cancelled.

Westfield won't play any home games until February 24. After that, they will play their last four at home. The dates are February 27, and March 1, 4, and 6.

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OWLS SINK MASS MARITIME

by Michael Crosby

In one of the best games the Owls have played this year, the disciplined and determined men demolished Mass. Maritime 90-61. Using a very effective full court press, Westfield forced the Academy into numerous tight situations, producing turnovers, and giving Westfield some gifted points.

The Owls' passes were crisp, and the rebound action was all in Westfield's favor, especially on the offensive boards.

Midway through the first half, the score read 30-13, in Westfield's favor. Coach Matt Zunic then began to replace some of the regular players with substitutes. But when the team slackened and Mass. Maritime began to make a comeback, the starting five were brought back in to knock down any possible threats Mass. Maritime might try to compose. The halftime score was 53-25.

When play resumed in the second half, the secondary team came back on the floor and dominantly controlled play. The Owls more or less breezed through the rest of the game to the final buzzer.

There were many heroes in the rout. Ben Adams, who opened the game with one of his famous two-point bombs, had 23 points, Jeff Bowman scored 22 points and had 9 rebounds. Burt collected 9 carroms also. All in all it was a great team effort and a productive night.

In other games played by the W.S.C. basketball team, the Owls downed Lowell 98-70. High scorers in the game were W. Bowman 15, Adams 14, Deveau 12, and Parks 10. Parks also fought for 10 rebounds.

On January 30, Westfield went down in defeat at the hands of Eastern Connecticut. The final score in the close contest was 63-60. The top point-getters in the losing effort were Parks with 16, Adams with 10, and Burt with 10.

The Owls have only three games remaining. They play Fitchburg and North Adams at home before concluding their season at Framingham.

Gary Burt wins the tap against Lowell.
Photo by Everding.

WSC Hoop

by Michael Crosby

Before another sardine-cramped crowd, the Westfield State Owls held on to a slim lead to defeat the Worcester Lancers 76-73.

Worcester opened the game using a full court press. This tactic, however, was not effective, as the Owls were cautious with their passing and ball handling.

Neither team held command of first half play, as either team's lead rarely grew bigger than four points. When the halftime horn sounded, The Owls enjoyed a slim lead, 38-35.

Worcester's defense tightened and Westfield was held scoreless for the first two minutes of the second half, enabling the Lancers to take a modest lead.

Jeff Bowman dropped in a short jumper to break the scoring ice, and the Owls were back on the right path. Westfield floated back on defense, and as Worcester let off a shot, Tom Parks leaped up for a great block. However, the referee thought otherwise, and called Parks for goal tending. Irritated at the call, Parks proceeded to drive down court and produce a three-point play, forcing Worcester to relinquish the lead to Westfield, 47-46, with 16:20 left to play.

From this point of the game on, play seemed to be a creativity of controlled scoring: Worcester tying the score, Westfield taking a two-point lead, and if lucky, sometimes a four point advantage, only to have the Lancers rally back to tie the Owls.

The clock was running down, putting pressure on both teams, and keeping the enthusiastic spectators on edge.

With 1:12 left in the game, Gary Burt popped one in to put Westfield in front, 73-71. The Owls maintained a tenatious defense, holding Worcester from scoring.

Dave Rose threw in two points with 53 seconds remaining to put the Owls in front by four. Worcester couldn't put it together and time ran out to give Westfield the victory.

In other games, Westfield lost to Boston State, 82-77. The Warriors had an excellent day with their outside shooting, which the Owls couldn't seem to overcome. Adams was high scorer for Westfield with 25 points.

On February 22, Westfield clobbered Fitchburg, 85-69. Tom Parks had 23 points and 9 rebounds, and Jeff Bowman pulled down 17 rebounds.

SOUND OFF!

If anyone has any complaints or comments concerning any sports topics, write a letter to the Sports Editor of the OWL and [illegible] in the sports section. Drop it off at the OWL office or in the mailbox in Parenzo Hall.

Ron Gerwatowski, Sports Editor

Volleyball Tournament

by Ron Gerwatowski

The Westfield State College Volleyball team will host the Massachusetts State Volleyball tournament on March 7. Westfield is the defending champs of this annual tournament and has been for the past four years. The participants in the tournament will be Bridgewater, Worcester, Framingham, and Boston State. The event begins in the gymnasium at 6:00 and runs till the final match is over. Each team will play each other twice. The team with the most number of wins will be declared the champion and will receive a trophy along with the runner-up.

Westfield State, under the direction of John Kurty, had a successful season so far. Their record as of February 24, stands at six wins and three losses. At the beginning of the season, Westfield started off with a victory over the Westfield "Y" 2-1, but proceeded to lose their next two matches to Springfield "B" Team 1-2, and the Holyoke "Y" 1-2. After those two tough losses, the Owls reeled off five straight victories over Linden State 2-1, Worcester State 2-0, the Westfield "Y" 3-2, Springfield "B" 2-1, and then had its winning streak broken by the Holyoke Turners 2-3, in a match that had Westfield losing two tough overtime games.

The team members include Seniors Bob Dolan, Ross Nimchick, Bob Thompson, Gary Gegenheimer, and Bino Goncalves. Juniors Carl [illegible] Ross Authier and Darrell Brooks. Sophomores Jim Coffey, Mark Pananos, John Wilson, Don Longo, Kevin Theede, and Joe Roy. And Freshmen Andy Johnson, Meyer Franklin, "B.J." Hannon, and Lester Zyla.

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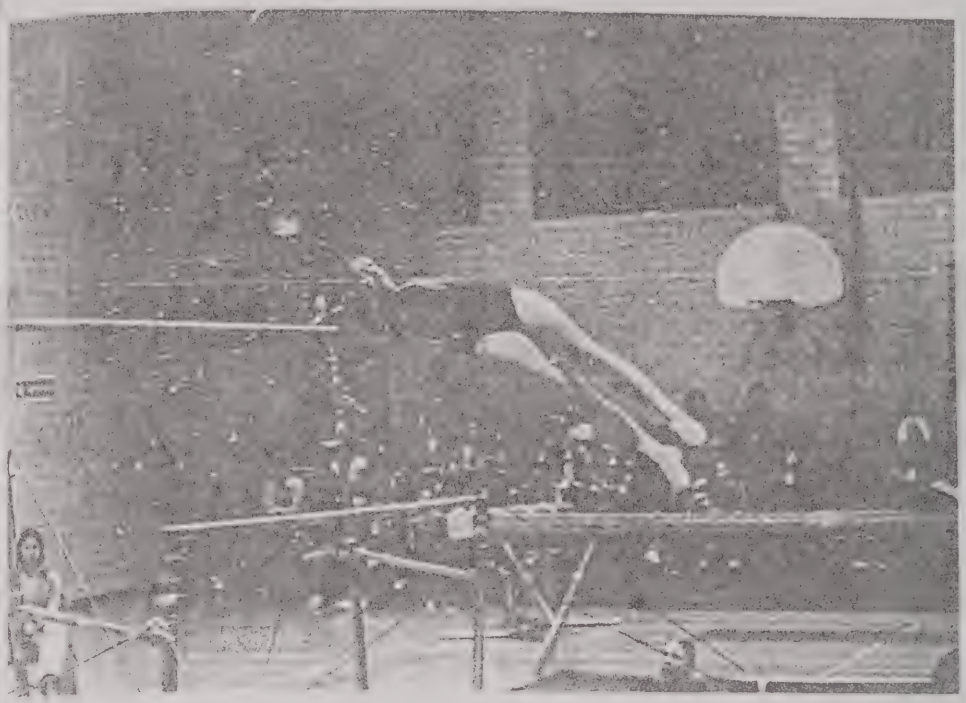

Barb Tierney twists off the bars after her first place performance against Central Connecticut.
Photo by Everding

Girls' Gymnastics

by Michael Crosby

On February 8 The girls gymnastics team defeated Albany State, 65.60 - 56.50. Westfield did well on the bars, with Donna Knipe and Bonnie 'Longjohns' Doten each scoring over three. The Owls dominated Albany in the competition of the floor exercise, 19.00-13.60.

In Westfield's next meet, they waltzed over Central Connecticut College, 74.25-57.10.

Donna Knipe placed first in vaulting with 7.75, Barb Tierney won first on the bars with 5.1, and Barb Northrup scored a 7.05 to top the floor exercise.

Lacrosse Starts Training

by Kathy Kelleher

Three-thirty in the afternoon usually finds most of us in a class, at a meeting, home, or in a dorm. However, since February 1st, about fifty Westfield students have found the tunnel and Scanlon Activities Room as their "meeting place." These fifty are the candidates for the 1975 lacrosse team, which in addition to having many new team members, will have a new coach — Tony Viecelli, a veteran lacrosse player at WSC, and a graduate with the class of 1974.

Coach Viecelli feels the early practices of the team will be advantageous because the game is strenuous, and requires well-conditioned players. An average of forty players a day attend the practices which include sprints and calisthenics. Viecelli feels the hours of working out will pay off, and admits that the '75 team will be "the best conditioned team in the past four years."

Another advantage the Westfield State players have is the new Astroturf field, which will be the site of all varsity home games, including two Saturday night games "under the lights."

The morale of this year's team is also good, and Viecelli states that "it's the best it's been since lacrosse has been a varsity sport." The interest of the players is also great, for there are fifty trying out for the thirty man roster. Of those thirty, ten are returning players, including senior defenseman and tri-captain Richie Correia, Emmet Ashe and Tom Shannon, also tri-captains and offensemen. Other players to watch will be sophomore Andy Gray, senior Bob Dolan, freshmen Steve Kalais and Billy Hogan, and juniors Tim Foley and Jim Regan, the latter being the only player on the team with high school lacrosse experience while at Longmeadow High.

Coach Viecelli, being a realist, views the season as a building year stating, "our goal is to win as many games as possible, but to also be a more representative team." He feels there is still a lot to do before the first game, for there are many techniques and philosophies not seen from the sidelines that must be explained to the new players.

"There is so little time and so much to do," Viecelli states, but you can be sure that when the first game date of April 10 gets here, the Westfield State varsity lacrosse team will be something to see and support.

Rugby

by Bob Carney

The Marines are looking for a few good men with an advertising campaign that is a rather ham-handed appeal to the bull-headed young man on the prowl for prestige by association.

It is to him that this (eminently more sensible) alternative is offered. No jar-head who stormed ashore in the name of freedom at Da Nang, dodged coconuts in Nicaragua or sweated AK fire in I Corps ever were his dress blues with

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Gymnastics

by Michael Crosby

On February 22, women's gymnastics held a four-team meet. Westfield took second place, behind first place Salem State by four points, 79.10 - 73.10. Keene State came in third scoring 68.65, and Plymouth placed fourth, 67.95.

Donna Knipe placed first in vaulting scoring a 8.55. Barb Northup helped Westfield's cause with first place scores in the balance beam and floor exercise.

Westfield romped over Mt. Holyoke in their meet on March 3. The one-two punch for the Owls, Barb Northup and Donna Knipe, led Westfield in taking three out of four events. The final score was 72.50-63.02.

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Wrap Up on WSC Hockey

Entering the final week of its first season, the young and aggressive WSC hockey team can be proud of its record. Before the season started, and especially following the embarrasing opening loss to North Adams, there weren't too many people who would have figured that this team would have won so many games.

The top scoring unit of the hockey team is the first line, centered by Captain Jerry Twohig. The unit has 44 points to its credit on 21 goals, 23 assists. This line is a very well balanced unit with a strong playmaker in Twohig, a scrappy right winger in sophomore Dennis King, and the third member of the line, senior Paul "Fox" Fulton, a real hustler who plays both ways and is great at digging the puck from the corners.

The second line has amassed 34 points on 14 goals and 20 assists. This freshman unit, loaded with potential, and is centered by Kevin Falvey, a strong skater who will mature with more game experience. Always doing a fine job on the left wing is Dave Sheehan. Dave is a powerful skater and is probably the strongest stick handler on the team. Skating on right wing is the team's top goal scorer, Chad LeSage. When Chad is playing well, there aren't too many games the team will lose.

The third line, the checking line, is centered by alternate captain Steve MacLeod. Steve is probably one of the most improved players on the team, never having played a hitting game in high school. Skating on the left side is Jack Napoli who is a holler guy and an asset to the team. Holding down the third slot on this unit is Dan "Bep" Devereaux, probably the best checker on the team. Sharing in third line duty is Andy "Albino" Gray.

A severe blow was struck to the team in their opening game whon left wing Bill Burke tore ligaments in his knee and was sidelined for the remainder of the season.

Probably the most improved unit is the defense corps, led by alternate captain Bill Sweeney, a solid defenseman who puts 110% effort into every game. A powerful offensive backliner is Rex Stevens who is the number four scorer with 3 goals and 10 assists. One of the best shots from the blue line comes from freshman Dave Perreault. Rounding out the defense corps are Tom Rodger, Bob Kelleher, and Mike Tomasko.

Despite statistics, the team's strong point is in the nets. Splitting the work are freshmen Bob Austin and Joe Haswell. The team's future is promising because of these two goaltenders.

Individual statistics are as follows:

	G	A	Pts.
twohig	8	12	20
LeSage	11	4	15
King	9	5	14
Stevens	3	10	13
Fulton	4	6	10
Sheehan	2	8	10
Falvey	1	8	9
MacLeod	3	5	8
Devereaux	4	4	8
Sweeney	2	6	8
Perreault	3	1	4
Napoli	1	3	4
Gray	1	3	4
Rodger	0	2	2
Kelleher	0	0	0
Tomasko	0	0	0

Chad LeSage [center] passes to Dave Sheehan [background] who scores a second goal against North Adams. Kevin Falvey [foreground] witnesses the play. Photo by Benson

Women's Track Controversy

by Ron Gerwatowski

In the last issue of the Owl, a letter appeared in "Letters to the Editor" section concerning the possibilities of a Women's track team. The question was raised whether or not the girls should start as an independent team or join the Men's team. In order to start independently, the women would have to form a club and write a constitution. Then they would receive $50.00 from Student Senate. Considering the fact that there is not much thirty women can do with $50.00, that alternative went down the drain. The second alternative was to join the men's team, which seems to be the most logical thing to do.

In the letter that was written in the last issue, the authors said that they had approached the track coach, Mr. Gerald Gravel, and asked him what they were required to to in order to become members of the team. They stated in the letter that Mr. Gravel "said that we could join the boy's team if we run from two weeks to a month and if we are able to run steadily for thirty minutes".

According to Coach Gravel, this was a misunderstanding. To set the record straight, this is what the women must do in order to become members of the squad:

Each woman must work out on a continuous training program from two to three weeks and report on a regular basis (every two three days). Each time that they report, they must keep him informed of exactly what type of conditioning program they are running. Then Mr. Gravel will advice them. If Mr. Gravel feels that they have been working hard enough, they will join with the men in a more intensive program. If the women are able to run steadily for 30 minutes, they can avoid the conditioning program and start right in with the intensive training. The purpose of this pre-conditioning program is not a test on whether or not the women can join the team, but a necessary program in order to prepare them for an intensive program. The women do not have to run steadily for 30 minutes in order to make the team, as long as they are in proper condition they can become part of the program.

This is also a requirement for the men, in fact, there are two or three men who are running on their own with their own equipment. They are reporting to Mr. Gravel regularly and will join the program when he feels they are in proper condition.

Mr. Gravel claims that there has been only one woman reporting to him on a regular basis. She is Sue Gordon, who has gone past the conditioning program and is now working out with the men. Everything boils down to one thing:Anyone wishing to join the team must report to Mr. Gravel every two or three days during their pre-conditioning program. If he or she does not report, it is impossible for Mr. Gravel to tall how well conditioned that person is.

According to Coach Gravel, if the women do everything properly, he could try to invite the other State schools that have women's track to bring along their team to the track meets. Then he would schedule unofficial meets to take place at the same time as the men's.

There is only one more problem. The whole track schedule is doubtful. The new field does not have any equipment. Mr. Gravel has asked [illegible] for the money to purchase equipment, but no one can finance them. The field lacks pole vault and high jump pits, and hurdles. It is impossible to run a track meet without this equipment. The team needs approximately $5.000. Their last resort is through the Bookstore Committee.

The whole track schedule rests on whether or not the Bookstore Committee is able to finance the team. If the team is unable to raise the money, the track schedule will be canceled. That means no track team, men or women. All this because the State failed to allocate enough money to finish the field. Without any money there is not much that anyone can do.

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Westfield Wins Volleyball Tourney

by Tim Sicard

Westfield State hosted the State College Volleyball Tournament this year, and performed outstandingly defeating four other teams to win the First Place Trophy. Westfield ended up 9-0 in the Tourny; Worcester came in second with a 6-2 record, the third place finisher was Boston State, compiling a 3:5 record, and finally Bridgewater and Framingham State, finishing up with 2-6 and 1-7 tallies respectively.

Westfield started the action by beating Bridgewater convincingly by scores of 15-3 and 15-4. I n this game, Carl Steele played excellent, with fine feeding passes from Russ Authier and ohn Wilson. Bridgewater had very little communication on the floor, which was the main reason for their loss.

I n the second game, Bridgewater got the first point and didn't get another point until the Owls reached 13 points, by that time the Bridgewater players had already taken two time-outs. They came back and scored three straight points, but the final was 15-4.

On the other end of the court Boston challenged Worcester State in a defeatest attempt, losing both matches to Worcester, 15-6

The next four teams to play were set up like this:
Worcester vs. Framingham and Bridgewater vs. Boston. Worcester creamed Framingham in both games, 15-0 and 15-8. Bridgewater and Boston split their matches with Boston wimming the first on 15-14, and Bridgewater the other, 15-8.

Westfield played Framingham next and Worcester took on the team from Bridgewater. Bridgewater's efforts didn't amount to too much, as they lost to Worcester in both matches, 15-0 and 15-8. Westfield's outcome was a little better. They walked over Framingham with scores of 15-5 and 15-3. The Owls started off big again wracking up five straight points. Carl Steele had a few key spikes in that spree, while the six starters were all playing well: Russ Authier, Andy Johnson, ohn Wilson, Ross Niemczyck, and Mark Pananos. The score increased to 10-2, then 11-5, in Westfield's favor. Don Longe made a few defensive blocks, which gave a little spark to the game. Framingham called time-out, but to no avail. The final score of that game was 15-5.

I n the second match, Framingham started ham in a split. Bridgewater won the first game 15-13, and then lost to Framingham 15-10.

Getting back to the Boston-Westfield game, the Owls started off strong again with the starters of Authier, Steele, Pananos, Wilson Johnson, and Niemczyck, playing really well together. I t began with a score of 8-0 in the Owls' favor. Boston just got two, and were beginning to play very well. The Westfield players started to mix-up their line-up a little, and still held the lead, 11-3. With six "fresh" Owls in there, the game was getting more tense. The Boston players closed the gap from 14-6 to 14-12, then came an Owl time-out. The regulars went back in to get the clinching point to win the first game 15-12.

I n the second game, the lead went back and forth. The game was tied at seven and nobody knew who was going to win. Boston went ahead 9-7, but the Owls tied it right back up again, 9-9. The serve was being passed back and forth, with neither team serving more than once at a time. The score was upped to 13-11 minutes later in the Owl's favor. Then after a long and tedious wait, the Owls pulled it out 15-11.

The final two matches of the night were Boston against Framingham, where Boston beat Framingham with ease, 15-6 and 15-13, giving Boston a Third Place finish, and Worcester challenged Westfield, the two undefeated-powerhouses of the State College Tournament.

The first big game started up with Worcester up 2-0, and Westfield coming right back to take the lead, 3-2. The Owls seemed to be really motivated at this point, and got some momentum going to boost the score to 6-3. Worcester didn't like that and just wouldn't give in. The opposing team brought the tallies back up to a tie at 7 all.The serve was bing sent back and forth, and the game seemed as if it would never be decided. But Carl Steele got going and Worcester was in trouble. The score was suddenly 12-7, when the Worcester team called a time-out. But when they started again, Westfield scored three quick ones to make the final score 15-7.

The second game began as tense as the first. Carl Steele went to work right away "spiking" away their first point. Both teams were playing well, but Worcester pulled ahead 6-3, and Westfield took a time-out. Suddenly, the score was 8-3, and things weren't looking too good for the Owls. But the Owls came back from 9-3

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Owls Close Basketball Season with Victory over Framingham

by Michael Crosby

The Owls closed the basketball season March 1, with a come-from-behind victory over Framingham State, 75-63. The win gave Westfield an even 12-12 record for the year. That may not sound too astonishing, but considering their record after ten games was 1-9, and 11-3 over the final 14 contests, it proves that the team was not a joke every time it took the floor.

In his last game for Westfield, Ben Adams led all scorers with 19 points. Other Owls in double figures were Dave Rose with 17, and Tom Parks with 14.

Here are the final statistics:

Games Played		Pts.	Game Av.
Parks	24	404	16.8
Adams	16	235	14.6
Rose	18	197	10.9
Jackson	9	99	11.0
W Bowman	24	192	8.0
Burt	15	109	7.2
Cannon	21	100	4.7
Perry	20	64	3.2
J Bowman	22	106	4.6
Deveau	16	60	3.1
Salvail	6	13	2.0
Ericson	6	8	1.0
Andrews	10	14	1.4
Slattery	11	15	1.0
Kealy	4	6	1.5
Westfield	24	1664	69.3
Opponents	24	1611	67.1

Rugby

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near the pride you could feel wearing the green and gold jersey of the Springfield (Mass.) Rugby Football Club.

Springfield R.F.D., the only non-school Rugby Club in Western Massachusetts, is a member of the Eastern Rugby Union. Spring season opens March 22 at Kiley Junior High School with Springfield hosting the Albany Knickerbockers R.F.C. to an A-team and a B-team game to be followed by a beery songfest at some (as yet unannounced) courageous bar.

For the uninitiated, Rugby Football is a 150 year old, brutalized off-sheet of association football (soccer) in which two teams of 15 unpadded players run, [illegible] bloated, stubby football and each other the length of a field (110 yds.) (called a "pitch") in hopes of scoring a four point goal (or "try") with out suffering any fatal or maiming injuries.

Rugby Union (as opposed to professional Rugby League) as played here in the Northeastern U.S. packs a Saturday afternoon with two games and a party. The party, (hosted by the home team) at which numerous time-honored and impossibly filthy rugby songs and routines are roared out, features a minimum of two kegs of beer (at Springfield, anyway) and usually lasts until beer, smoke and energy are expended.

So—if you feel like giving your insurance man a run for his money and getting a Rugger jersey dirty (unlike most who wear them at Westfield State), leave your name and phone number under the windshield wiper of the black '57 [illegible] often parked on campus or call Team Secretary John Koopus at work (his phone number is 568-9511—ext. 512) or show up (with cleats) at Van Horn Park in Springfield around 6 pm Wednesday nights. Hope to see you soon.

LACROSSE SEASON BEGINS

If you ventured down to the Astroturf field on the afternoon of April 10th, chances are you witnessed a "first," namely the first home game of the season for the 1975 Lacrosse Team.

Not only does the team have the field advantage for home games, but they also have a great deal of team spirit. A recent interview with two of the captains, Richie Correia and Tom Shannon, revealed that the morale is a "lot better than years before." and "the future is bright." Both Correia and Shannon felt the strongest point was the first line attack, consisting of returning players Jim Regan, Andy Gray, and Tim Foley. "An inexperienced defense" was thought to be a weak point, but playing time together will be beneficial. Being "highly superstitious," neither Correia or Shannon wanted to speculate on the season, but indicated a desire of support for the team.

First year coach Tony Viecelli feels that the team needs to develop game by game, and states that there is "a lot of talent to work with, for there are thirty people who really want and care to play the game this year."

"The little general," as he is known by the team also noted that there is another outstanding feature of the team. "The saying is that clothes make the man," he states, "and going along with that, how a team looks may also affect their overall play." He pointed out that the team has new uniforms this year-white shirt, blue pants, and white cleats, all of which may prove to be a psychological advantage.

Like the players, Coach Viecelli hopes that the '75 team will be supported throughout the season, and indicated that fans may go to the away games this year, hoping that many will do so.

1975 VARSITY LACROSSE TEAM ROSTER

Class	position
**James Regan, Jr.	Offense (Attack)
Andy Gray, So.	Attack
Tim Foley, Jr.	Attack
Jim Kannalis, Fr.	Attack
Pat Foley, Fr.	Attack
Chris Loud, Jr.	Attack
Bill Hannigan, Fr.	Attack
Bob Nagle, Sr.	Attack
Dave Maravich, Fr.	Midfield
Jim Camposeo, Fr.	Midfield
Rick Gunn, So.	Midfield
Bill Sweeney, Jr.	Midfield
Mitch Smoller, Fr.	Midfield
Bill Sullivan, So.	Midfield
Bernie Brady, Fr.	Midfield
Bill Hogan, Fr.	Midfield
Tom Powlovich, Fr.	Midfield
Ed Temple, Jr.	Midfield
**Emmet Ashe, Sr.	Midfield
**Tom Shannon, Jr.	Midfield
Steve Kalaish, Fr.	Midfield
Jeff Loring, Jr.	Midfield
Bill O'Leary, So.	Defense
Jack Kilrain, Jr.	Defense
Mike Barrett, Fr.	Defense
**Richie Correia, Jr.	Defense
Steve Webb, Sr.	Defense
Bob McGee,	Goalie
Fred Monday, So.	Goalie
Joe Agnelli, So.	Goalie

**denotes captains

Injured players include:

Bob Dolan, Sr.	Defense
Mike Grady, Sr.	Midfield
Jack Bowes, Fr.	Attack
Tom Barnes, Fr.	Attack

OPEN COMPETITION

On April 27th, a track sports field day with men's and women's competition will be held. The following events will be presented:

— Softball Tournament
— Home Run Derby
— Track
— Tennis
— Others

There had been plans for intramural soccer at night, but due to the lights not being ready, the proposal has been postponed until next fall.

1974-1975

Gymnastics Team

Women's Softball

The Women's softball team is so far enjoying a very successful season.

After losing the opening game to Central Connecticut, the women have been red hot, winning 11 games in a row. Their record stands, as of April 29 at 11-1.

Coach Ken Magarian described the first game as poor. "However," the coach informed me, "We were not ready to play that first game, as our 5 previous exhibition games had been cancelled due to snow and cold weather.

The scores for the first twelve games go as follows:

Central Connecticut 6-10
UConn 18-5
RUI 11-5, 7-5
Russell Sage 28-23
Albany State 29-6
UMass 15-7
Northeastern Univ. 19-7, 30-9
Worcester 29-15
UNH 8-0, 21-12

After watching the team wash out UNH twice, I talked to Coach Magarian, and he had this to say about his team.

"The team has played very well since the first game. The girls are disappointed that they can't play other top schools in New England such as Springfield college, Bridgewater State, and Southern Connecticut."

I asked the proud coach why the team couldn't play those teams, and he replied, "These teams will not play us because we're an unknown team. They won't consent to play us. However, we're really looking forward to participating in the tournament, and we expect to take the state championship."

The hot hitters on the team are: Marian Tulley, Louise Beig, and Louann Simchak all batting over .500. Mary Hickey and Dorothy Rickus batting over .400.

The pitching stars are Pat Owen with a record of 5-0, and a five-hit shutout over the University of New Hampshire. Both Louann Simchak and Kathy Medder have posted records of 3-0. And very important to the pitching staff is the short reliever Theresa Lantz, who is credited with five saves.

The Westfiel Women's Softball team had a big win over UMass, which is one of the better teams on the schedule.

The tournament will begin on May 9 and end May 10th. It will be played at Fitchburg.

Most of our Women's softball teams schedule only 10 games a year. Westfield schedulec 24 games, which only goes to prove that we have enthusiastic girls at Westfield.

Every girl on the team will be back next year, as there are no graduates this year.

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GYMNASTIC SUCCESS STORY

Westfield State's Womens Varsity Gymnastic Team has completed a sensational 1974-75 season with 9 wins and only 3 loses. The team did very well considering the late start it had due to lack of a coach and lack of adequate gym time. The members of the team are: Ileen Jaeger, Barb Tierney, Laurie Drake, Nancy Clark, Donna Knipe, Captain Barb Northup, and Coach Suzie Rasmussen.

Freshmen Laurie Drake and Donna Knipe really helped pull the scores in. Miss Drake, a specialist on Beam and Floor, never failed to turn in a good routine. The same was true with Miss Knipe, an all-around performer, who was our high scorer on Vaulting. You can expect to see a lot of good gymnastics out of these two freshmen next year.

Barb Tierney and Ileen Jaeger, both sophomores, did very well also. Both girls, having competed on the team in previous seasons, used their experience to bring in good scores.

Juniors Nancy Clark and Barb Northup round out the six-man team. Miss Clark competed on Beam, Floor, and Vaulting. Her hard work and determination helped her improve tremendously and will certainly show up on some fine gymnastics next year. Miss Northup, an all-around performer, continued her exceptional performances of past seasons and was the high scorer for Beam, Floor, Bars, and in the all-around.

Coach Suzie "Raz" Rasmussen is a senior at Springfield College and had been a member of the varsity and exhibition gymnastic teams there. Many laurels to Miss Rasmussen for bringing the team into a successful season.

The gymnastic team would like to thank team managers Lexy Lovato and Don Salvail for their help.

MEET RESULTS

Westfield	61.35	Boston State	73.00
Westfield	69.05	Keene State	66.10
Westfield	69.05	Conn. College	72.45
Westfield	65.60	Albany State	52.50
Westfield	74.25	Central Conn.	57.10
Westfield	76.20	Northeastern	65.15
Westfield	76.20	U. of Rhode Is.	30.21
Westfield	73.10	Salem State	79.00
Westfield	73.10	Keene State	64.00
Westfield	73.10	Plymouth State	54.20
Westfield	73.10	Mt. Holyoke	51.20
Westfield	72.00	Bridgeport	36.00

Barbara Northrup ends her floor exercise at a WSC gymnastic meet.

TRACK PROBLEMS

by Ron Gerwatowski

The Westfield track season is on a scheduled, but the team's financial problems have still not been solved. The team has been faced with the problem of no equipment for the track and no money to buy it.

Coach Gravel has come up with a temporary solution. The squad will rent pits for $250 a month, borrow hurdles from UMass, Amherst, and the Westfield Public School System, and buy the remainder. They also must rent a truck to store the pits in, since the new field has no storage house. An insurance policy must also be taken out to insure the borrowed equipment, so the financial problems continue to add up.

The team has raised some money, but it is not nearly enough to cover the expenses. Right now the team has yet to pay for the rest of the equipment. Even if worse comes to worse, Coach Gravel says that they will get the equipment and wait until the money can be raised in some way.

As far as the season goes, the Owls are the defending Mass. State College Conference Champions. It is a rebuilding year for the team since six men are gone from last years squad. The season will be interesting because the dual meet schedule is loaded with strong opponents such as Worcester State, Boston State, Coast Guard Academy, Southern Conn., Amherst College, Southeastern Mass. University, and Plymouth State.

OWLS HOT IN THE SOUTH

by Ron Gerwatowski

The Westfield State Baseball Team enjoyed a very successful trip down south during the Spring break. Their overall record was 8 wins and 2 losses on what Coach Ralph described as an "all-around great trip."

"We got fine pitching, excellent hitting, and we ran the bases very well," Coach Ralph exclaimed. The team batting average was .304 and they collected a total of 29 stolen bases.

Co-captain Bob Kallstrom led the team in hitting with a [illegible] although he didn't get up to the plate as often as Kallstrom, also batted at a .407 clip. Carl Steele was next at .364. Carl also led the team in RBI's with 13. Berriman, Mancini, Sampson, and Beard also batted well over .300. The bats were not the only things that were hot because the pitching was brilliant. Bill Weber, Bob Moniz, and Jack Dougherty all were 2-0. Mark Pananos was 1-0, but he also had a 10-1 lead in the fourth inning against Coppin State that got white-washed because of rain.

Kallstrom and Dougherty had 3 home runs each, while Carl Steele contributed one. One of Kallstrom's homers came at an opportune time. He hit a three-run blast in the last inning to defeat Virginia Commonwealth University in an 8-6 come-from-behind victory.

Coach Ralph claimed that the "rookies" played very well. In each doubleheader the coach would start three or four veterans nucleus and play the rest of the new-cor The coach also said that he hated to us term "rookies" and expected them to play Sophomores since they had a long fall se

Running down the scores: Westfield clot ed Coppin State 20-0, swept a doublehe from Delaware State 2-0 and 8-4, split a with College of Alberdale, winning 7-6 losing 4-3. The Owls also took two from Vir Commonwealth 3-6 and 14-2. In the final g Westfield lost a close one to a tough Unive of Delaware team, 4-3.

The team ended up playing in four diffe states, Maryland, Delaware, North Caro and Virginia. On the way home, they sto into Washington, D.C. to see the sights.

The first few days the weather wasn't good and a few games were cancelled bec

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of wet fields. But the squad played everyday and practiced on the days of the canceled games. The temperature was in the 50's most of the time and it was very windy, but it was an improvement as compared to the weather in Westfield.

The bookstore funded $1[illegible] towards the trip which paid for most of the transportation. The players fund-raising took care of the motel costs, but each player had to chip in $48 to pay for the meals.

The trip got the team ready for their Conference games and got them together as a close-knit ball club. There is only one problem. Coach Ralph worries about the long lay-off between games, the team really got rolling and won a lot of ballgames. Hopefully, their bats will not cool off and the Owls will continue in their winning habits.

It also must be mentioned that Westfield has a B-team which will play several home games this season. There are fifteen people who will be playing under the direction of Bob Berriman. Bob will coach them in addition to playing with the varsity.

INTRAMURAL WINTER

by Michael Crosby

A very successful winter of intramural sports is coming to a close, and, as it looks, an even more prominent spring sports scene is predicted.

BASKETBALL

In speaking with Ken Magarian, he informed me that, "the basketball intramural season went over well, with good balance in both leagues."

The 28 teams were split into two leagues, with 16 teams in division one, and 12 teams in division two.

Unfortunately, with so many teams, the system was forced to use the Juniper Park gymnasium, which is inadequate due to it's small size. There was, however, only one serious injury, as Richie Burke suffered a slight concussion.

GIRL'S SOFTBALL

Girl's softball seems to be becoming more popular, as there were sixty-five turnouts to try out for the team.

The squad will consist of 21 girls, with more new members this year, whom coach Ken Magarian believes will play important roles in the success of the team.

The girls have been working out for six weeks, and played four exhibition games in Nashua, New Hampshire on the 5th and 6th of April.

I asked Coach Magarian how he thought the team fared for the upcoming season. He replied, "I expect a very successful season, but we'll know more after the exhibition games."

By the time you read this, the team will have opened the regular season against Keene State, which is one of the better teams Westfield will see this year.

INDOOR HOCKEY

The most popular and still growing sport of the college, is indoor hockey. Almost 350 students play, which doesn't include the 20 officials and 12 scorers.

On opening night, 100 spectators showed up to share in the excitement, and it's expected that an average of 30-40 fans will come for each game.

The hockey season is scheduled until the second week in May. It is a well organized program, and much of the credit is due to supervisors Tom Roger and Nancy Hughes.

FINAL STANDING FOR
INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

DIVISION I

1. Would Jin	10-0**
2. Rebals	8-2*
3. Holes	7-2*
4. Schnoedas	6-3*
5. Rat Patrol	5-3
6. Wallbangers	5-3
7. Moon Pot	4-4
8. Faculty	4-4
9. Loose Rocks	4-4
10. Cadets	3-5
11. Smith Brothers	3-5
12. Class I	2-6
13. Third World	2-6
14. Commuters	2-6
15. Roobers	1-7
16. Condiminums	1-7

DIVISION 2

1. Scrubs	10-0**
2. Rusty Nuts	7-3*
3. Squires	6-3*
4. Z's	6-3*
5. Balls	6-3*
6. Bro's	5-3
7. Virile Virgins	5-3
8. Lew's Crew	2-6
9. Nominds	2-6
10. Beaver Patrol	2-6
11. Canadian Aces'	0-8
12. Spacey Sprockets	0-8

Top scorer of Division 1: Ed Pidrucyny 29.9 (Commuters)

Top scorer of Division 2: Joe O'Connell 28.4 (Scrubs)

** League and Playoff Champions

* Playoff Contenders

One on One Champion - Keebler

Runner-up - J. Ryan

INTRAMURALS

The intramural Co-ed Bowling Championship was won by the Dutch Masters, with a 5-3 record. The Dutch Masters were: Claudia Russet, Tara Sullivan, Jim Lombaed, Michelle Turinelli, Donna Mannello, Betsy Shelton, Bob Laquidara, and Bob Norton.

High single in the league went to Pam Sylvia. She bowled a 178.

— Intramural Tennis finals will be played on May 12 and 13.

Intramural Street Hockey
High Scorers — Women[As of April 27,]

	Goals
Sherri Horacek - Grasshoppers	8
Bonnie Doten — Oobers	7
Judy Tsinzo — Your Basic Team	6
Patty Sullivan — Walkers	6
Linda Quintiliani — Walkers	6
Karen Dahlin — Ninks	5
Patty Torrance — Ninks	5
Ann Wood — Lepers	5

Women's Stats.

Women's Indoor Street Hockey Standings

Team	W	L	T	Pts.
WALKERS	6	0	1	13
OOBERS	5	1	0	10
RASCALS	4	3	1	9
JOKERS	3	2	2	8
KAPPA SUP	3	2	1	7
LEPERS	3	3	1	7
NINKS	3	3	1	7
LEG GRABBERS	3	3	0	6
GRASSHOPPERS	3	4	0	6
BALLBUSTERS	2	3	2	6
YOUR BASIC TEAM	2	4	2	6
78'ers	2	5	0	4
PLAYGIRLS	0	6	1	1

No goals scored against Mary Hickey of the Walkers.

Men's Stats.

Men's Indoor Hockey Standings [April 27]

Team	W	L	T	Pts.
Holes	5	0	2	12
Eucalyptics	4	0	3	11
Bros.	5	2	0	10
Meat	4	1	2	10
Escuchen	4	2	1	9
Climax	2	1	3	7
Virile Virgins	3	3	0	6
Balls	2	3	1	5
Berkshire Rats	2	4	1	5
K-A-Cans	1	5	1	3
Blind	1	6	1	3

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A LOOK AT LACROSSE

TEAM SCORING [through April 30, 1975]

Name	Goals	Assts.	Pts.
Jim Regan	8	3	11
Andy Gray	6	2	8
Emmet Ashe	5	0	5
Tim Foley	3	1	4
Pat Foley	2	1	3
Bill Hogan	1	2	3
Ed Temple	2	0	2
Bill Sweeney	1	0	1
Bill Hanagan	1	0	1
Tom Shannon	1	0	1
Jeff Loring	0	1	1
Rick Gunn	0	1	1

A Glance at the lacrosse games (thru April 30)

APRIL 10th - Boston State 18 Westfield State 3

The first home game for the 1975 season found both teams playing aggressively and hitting hard for the first half. Boston, rated fourth in New England, was held to only four goals in the first half, while WSC tallied one. The second half found Boston dominating the game, making many key plays and capitalizing on Westfield mistakes, they came up with eleven goals, while WSC could only score two more. Westfield goals were made by Junior Jim Regan, who had two, and sophomore Andy "Albino" Gray.

APRIL 16th - Plymouth State 17 WSC 5

"Somehow this game reminds me of the Roman gladiators" was a comment overheard at this game, for although the score was a bit one-sided, the action was good. Plymouth, the third-place finishers in the league last year, held an 8-3 halftime lead, with the WSC goals having been scored by Emmet Ashe, Eddie Temple, and Andy Gray. The second half found Plymouth scoring five goals in the third period and four in the fourth, while Westfield tallied only twice on goals by Andy Gray and Jim Regan to make the final score 17-5.

APRIL 19th - Castleton State 9 WSC 8

This Saturday afternoon game was the game to see. The competition was Castleton State College, a tough team to beat. The action of the first half was very evenly matched, and WSC scored three times, on goals by Jim Regan, Pat Foley, and Andy Gray. Castleton had scored five goals, and the half ended with the score 5-3.

The second half was an excellent display of a lacrosse game, and the fans witnessed a well-played match, as the final score might indicate. WSC outplayed Castleton, for they began to move the ball around on pass plays and formations rather than just trying to go in individually. Although WSC scored only one goal in the third period, the defense, including returning players Richie Correia and Bill O'Leary, also held Castleton to only one goal.

The fourth period held the most action and included good defense, better offense, a small fight, Castleton scoring three goals and Westfield scoring four. WSC's goals, made by Andy Gray, Bill Hogan, Jim Regan, and Emmet Ashe, put WSC within one goal of a tie, but darkness and the clock running down were in Castleton's favor, and they got the victory.

APRIL 24, 1975 - Brandeis Univ. 9 WSC 3

This away game found the Owls trailing 7-1 at the end of the first half, as Brandeis took advantage of the Owls numerous penalties. The game was watched closely, and in the first half, a total of seventeen penalties were called - twelve of which were on Westfield. Goalie Joe Agnelli was called to make 23 saves in the half, most of which were made on the Brandeis power play opportunities. The only Westfield goal of the half was made by Bill Sweeney.

The second half was well-played as the teams were evenly matched in power play opportunities, and WSC came up with two more goals, made by Tim Foley and Jim Regan. Brandeis matched the two goals, and made the final score 9-3.

APRIL 26, 1975 - New Haven College 14 WSC 8

Penalties again seemed to plague the Owls in this game, and there were ten of them called on Westfield players in the first half. New Haven took advantage of the situation, and scored eight times in the half, while WSC scored three times on goals by Andy Gray, Pat Foley, and Emmet Ashe.

The second half of this fiasco saw Westfield get eleven penalties, while New Haven was only called for four. WSC matched play with New Haven in this half, for although New Haven had the power play advantages more often, they scored six goals, only one more than the five made by Westfield. Goal scorers in the half for WSC were Andy Gray, Bill Hanagan, Tom Shannon, Emmet Ashe, and Timmy Foley.

Some mid-season injuries have hurt the team recently, and among those hurt are freshman Mitch Smoller, and sophomore Rick Gunn. Bob Dolan is back on defense for Westfield though, and he has proven to be a good defenseman for the Owls.

The roughest part of the season is over for the Owls, and they have about six games remaining, so they hope to see many fans at the games.

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Owls Giving 100%

by Ron Gerwatowski

The Westfield State College baseball team is flying high with a 20-3 record and hopefully on their way to post-season play. Coach Ralph is in his final year as head coach after coaching the Owls to three straight successful seasons, and the team would like to have him depart in first class fashion.

The Owls have put it all together with excellent pitching, hitting, and defense. The four top men on the pitching staff are Bill Weber (5-0), Mark Pananos (5-0), Bob Moniz (5-1), and Jack Dougherty (4-1). Pananos leads the pitching with an ERA of 1.08 in 33⅓ innings pitched. As usual, Bill Weber has been consistently coming up with outstanding performances, while freshman Bob Moniz leads the team in strikeouts(36) with his lively fastball. Dougherty, the fourth man on the staff, has also been coming up with good pitching, although he was knocked out of the box in the Owls embarrasing loss to Siena 13-4. Everything went bad for the Owls in that one. It was one of those games that all teams have to get out of their system now and then.

Offensively, Westfield is led by center fielder Carl Steele who has been outstanding in nearly every category. Carl is hitting .431 in 72 at bats, has hit four home runs, leads the team in hits 31, leads the team in doubles 6, is second in RBI's (23), and tied for the team lead in stolen bases (16).

Steele is not the only one with an outstanding batting average. Jack Dougherty is hitting .500 (That's right, .500) in 44 at bats. Jack is leading the team in RBI's with 27 and has hit 5 home runs. He had an outstanding day against Framingham on April 26 when he hit a pair of grand slams. The first was a line shot to deep right center that rolled half-way to Davis Hall, and the second, which came in the second game, was a towering drive that seemed to travel 9 miles.

Another power hitter on the staff is Bob Kallstrom who is hitting a nifty .377 in 69 at bats. Bob is tied with Dougherty for the team lead in home runs, and has 23 RBI's to his credit.

Berriman, Bacon, and Mancini do not have outstanding batting averages, but they are basically consistent and have been playing well defensively. Mayo and Abert are batting .317 in 41 at bats and .386 in 44 at bats, respectively. There is no need to go on praising the Owls since their win-loss record speaks for itself (20-3, as of April 27).

Westfield is shooting for the NCAA playoffs. At this point it looks optimistic, but in the past, teams have been selected on a political instead of win-loss based decision. Last year the Owls were dissappointed when they were overlooked in the selections, despite their excellent record.

As of April 27, the team was in first place and on May 5 they had the chance to clinch the title against 2nd place Mass. Maritime.

The team's only defeat in their conference has been at the hands of North Adams. The game was scoreless for five innings until the Owls scored 3 runs in the 6th and North Adams scored 3 runs in their half of the inning. North Adams finally won the nail-biting contest in the last inning. With 2 outs and a runner on second, a solid single to center driving in the winning run cost the Owls the game.

No matter how the season turns out, this is going to be Coach Ralph's final season. He feels very dissappointed since he will not be working with the promising freshmen in the future. He also hopes that the baseball program will not diminish in the upcoming seasons. "Most of all," he stated, "I will miss working with all the players, all of whom gave me 100%.

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WSC BASEBALL

by Michael Crosby

The Westfield State varsity baseball team ended the season last spring with a sensational 28-6 record. With this, Coach Ralph (who, by the way, is no longer with us due to lack of funds to pay his salary) and the team to enter tournament playoff games for eastern United States.

Westfield was handicapped from the start, in that they lost their first game, a tough 4-2 loss to LeMoines. However, the men then poured on the steam and power, and breezed through three straight games, beating Central Connecticut 8-4, LeMoines 7-0, and Brandeis 6-3.

The Owls then began to run out of gas as they met with Montclair State College.

Westfield took the first game from undefeated Montclair, 2-1. This evened the number of losses between the two teams at one apiece. The next game would be the deciding game. Westfield, at this point had very little energy left, and lost the final tournament game, 7-2. Montclair then went on to represent Eastern United States in tournament games played in Illinois.

Carl Steele, Bob Kallstrom, and Mark Moniz all played excellently in the tournament, with Moniz picking up two wins pitching in tournament games.

Outfielder Carl Steele of Westfield State College, was the twelfth round draft choice of the Boston Red Sox. Carl has signed a contract and has been invited to spring training with the club. He will report to the Sox' minor league club, El Mira.

FINAL MEN'S BASEBALL STATISTICS

	AB	H	HR	SB	RBI	AVE.
Berrinian	109	29	1	12	9	.266
Bacon	108	30	3	7	22	.278
Mancini	115	29	1	21	8	.252
Steele	129	48	8	26	35	.372
Dougherty	84	34	5	4	34	.405
Kallstrom	132	46	9	4	41	.348
Mayo	85	22	1	1	16	.259
Abert	87	25	3	8	14	.287
Strycharz	62	10	0	1	6	.161
Viedbacski	50	14	1	0	8	.280
Perry	40	9	0	2	6	.225
Beard	56	18	1	2	11	.321
Clivio	17	5	0	1	1	.294
Sanson	21	5	0	0	7	.238
Benn	29	9	2	0	6	.310
Simm	10	3	0	0	1	.300
O'Connell	5	1	0	0	3	.200
Gauthier	8	2	0	0	4	.250
Uontemorro	2	1	0	0	2	.500
Halder	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Moniz	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Weber	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Pananos	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Wojdag	0	0	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	1145	341	35	88	234	.298
Opp. Total	1095	236	8	29	104	.216

PITCHING

	W	l	ERA
Weber	9	3	3.51
Pananos	7	2	1.26
Moniz	8	1	2.34
Dougherty	6	1	4.41
Ratchford	0	1	4.14
Simm	2	0	3.42
Wojdag	0	0	6.39
TOTALS	32	8	2.97

FRONT TO BACK, LEFT TO RIGHT. Bob Mayo, Dave Clivio, Don Montemara, Bob Kallstrom, Bill Weber, Steve Perry, Mike Sanson. Second Row. Frank Helper, Mark Pananos, Mike Gauthier, Ralph Niedalski, Larry Strycharz, Bob Beriman, Jack Dougherty, Carl Steele, Fisk Bacon, Steve Mancini. BACK ROW. Coach Ralph, Denny Wojdag, Bob Moniz, Joe O'Connell, Bob Benn, Fred Simm, Gary Beard, Harry Ratchford, Carl Abert.

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WSC WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM STATE CHAMPS

Front Row, Left to Right, Co-Captains Cathy Meader, Judy Breen. Middle Row, Kerry Hines, Shauna Gregory, Debbie Deschamps, Marian Tully, Holly Garvey, LouAnn Simchak, Wendy Williams, Nancy Hughes. Back Row, Coach Ken Magarian, Pam Keene, Shirley Garrity, Louise Bieg, Sharon Carlson, Ann Paradis, Ellen Sullivan, Dorothy Rickus, Pat Owen, Pat Byrnes, Mary Hickey, Theresa Lantz, Nina Nascimbeni.

by Michael Crosby

Yes men, even the women participated in the heroics last spring. And they did it in dramatical, high-classed fashion.

The 1975 women's softball team of Westfield State College defeated Boston State and Lowell State Colleges in the State Conference Playoffs to win the State Championship.

Going into the playoffs, the girls had a 16-2 record, and after rolling through the playoffs, ended the season with an impressive 18 wins and 2 losses.

In the first playoff game against Boston State, Louann Simchak pitched Westfield to an 8-3 win, lifting her record to 4-0.

The victory entitled Westfield to advance to the finals facing undefeated Lowell State.

With Westfield's ace pitcher, Pat Owen, the proud team clobbered Lowell, 12-4. This gave Own a final 8-0 record, and Westfield owned the honor of being State Champions.

The offensive stars in the playoffs were Louann Simchak, Marian Tully and Sheila Breen.

Coach Ken Magarian, who deserves recognition and honor, is very proud of his team's accomplishments. Ken is questionable for coaching duties next spring.

Final Women's Softball Statistics

	g	ab	h	r	hr	rbi	Ave.
Bieg	19	76	40	36	1	18	.526
Breen	16	45	22	18	5	18	.488
Byrnes	9	18	7	7	1	77	.389
Carlson	8	18	6	5	0	4	.429
Deschamps	11	24	6	2	0	6	.250
Garrity	14	32	12	16	2	11	.375
Garvey	8	13	5	6	1	6	.385
Gregory	12	15	6	5	1	3	.400
Hickey	19	70	25	30	1	22	.357
Hines	17	58	21	29	0	17	.362
Keene	16	30	14	17	0	9	.467
Lantz	11	20	7	4	1	8	.350
Meader	13	31	8	18	3	16	.258
Owen	12	26	8	11	0	1	.308
Paradis	8	13	1	3	0	5	.076
Rickus	18	71	32	36	1	24	.450
Simchak	18	65	33	29	6	30	.508
Sullivan	6	9	5	4	0	5	.555
Tully	19	72	36	49	6	35	.500
Williams	7	12	3	4	0	2	.250
TOTALS	261	714	297	329	29	247	.385

PITCHING

Pat Owen	8-0
LouAnn Simchak	4-0
Cathy Meader	4-0
Dorothy Rickus	1-0

Coach Ken Magarian, who deserves recognition and honor, is very proud of his team's accomplishments. Ken is questionable for coaching duties next spring.

Springfield College has finally accepted a challenge contest with Westfield in the upcoming season.

There will be a four or five day workout this fall to prepare for the spring.

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SOCCER

by Beth Caruso

The sport of soccer is alive and well and thriving in the United States. While Baseball remains the national pasttime and the number of soccer widows does not equal that of football, the sport of soccer is holding its own in the American sports world of touchdowns and homeruns. It has not reached the level of fanaticism attained in European and South American nations, but it is finding a definite place in our athletic culture. Westfield State soccer is no exception.

Coming off such an impressive season, Soccer mentor John Kurty realizes that he has his work cut out for him in filling the "cleats" of his 1975 graduates. However, with a good nucleus from last year's team and a larger-than-usual turn-out of freshmen, he views the upcoming season with optimism. If the results of the Westfield State Soccer Invitational are any indication of Westfield's potential, then perhaps Coach Kurty's optimism is justified.

Westfield controlled the play from the opening minutes of the first game against Lydon State College of Vermont. The Owl Booters applied continual pressure, but the Lydon goalie thwarted all Westfield Attempts. However, at 26.00 of the first period, the Westfield efforts paid off on a cross by Gary Rodriques to John Amaral. Chris Roukas dribbled his way past two Lydon defenders to make it 2-0 with two minutes left in the first.

Second period action saw a solo effort by Chris Moukas put Westfield ahead by three goals. A low hard shot by Lydon's Mike Breidenger threatened to spoil a Westfield shut out but goalie Dana Blackie batted the ball to fullback Steve Mancini, who promptly cleared the ball from the Westfield end. Rookie Rick Mountain put the game out of reach by directing a chip from Mike Lodigiani past Lydon Goalie Ken Wells.

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Westfield took on the other Invitational winner, the Western New England College Bears, in the final game. The brother act of Mark and Rick Starpoli cashed in on costly Westfield mistakes only two minutes into the first period. WNEC took obvious control of the play in the first half, keeping the ball contained in the Westfield end. Chris Moukas provided one bright note for Westfield by capitalizing on a John Amaral pass, tying the score 1-1. The tide of play changed in the second half with Chris Roukas driving an Ali Goncalves pass into the left hand corner of the net. Westfield continued it's rally and blasted 14 (fourteen) shots at a tired WNEC goalie. WNEC did have it's opportunities, but Westfield goalies Steve Balconoff and Dana Blackie combine their efforts to preserve a 2-1 Westfield victory.

Westfield notched a hard come-from-behind tie against Gordon College. A Chris Roukas and Chris Moukas scoring combination accounted for the first Westfield goal, which tied the score at 1-1 after two periods of regulation play. Gordon scored the go-ahead goal early in the second of two 10 (ten) minute overtimes. The Westfield defese then began a hard fought battle to prevent any further Gordon scoring and got the ball to their offense. With only two minutes left in the second overtime period, Chirs Roukas planted a well paced cross from Gary Rodriques in the upper left hand corner of the Gordon net.

Westfield will continue it's season against AIC on Sept. 20. The next home game will be played on Sept. 22, against Boston State at 7.00. Please attend and find out for ourself what the game of soccer is really like.

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Season Outlook at Cross Country

SEASON OUTLOOK

This would appear to be a rebuilding year for Westfield State as three of last years' top six runners are not returning. Lost to graduation were Mike Beard, cross country and three-mile school record holder, Jeff Sharpe, a mainstay of Westfield State cross country for the last several years, and Bill Cosgrove, a four-year veteran and reliable performer.

The dual meet schedule is limited to two meets this season but both teams should provide stern tests for Westfield's young runners. Westfield State upset Eastern Conn. last season, and Eastern should be looking for revenge this year. Southern Conn. has returning most of last year's strong team which ran away from Westfield last fall.

In the Mass. State College Conference Boston State should once again rate as the favorite, with their top three returning along with a formidable freshman contingent.

An excellent group of veterans are available upon which to build a team. Returning are **Kevin Dalton** (Jr.), 8th place Mass. State College C.C., 3rd place MSCAC three-mile and NCAA III steeplechase qualifier, **Bill Dillon** (Sr.), a strong runner who missed the later portions of last years' season with an injury, and two sophomores, **Mark Asaro** and **Jim McGilloway** who tied for 10th in the conference cross country championships in 1974. McGilloway also placed 4th in the conference three-mile last spring. Other upper classmen who could make strong contributions are lettermen **Jim Ash** (Soph.), and **Bill Chapman** (Sr.).

The development of the freshmen will be important to the success of this years' thinclads. The frosh have excellent potential and impressive credentials. They include, **Bob Grandfield** (5th Div. I), **Jeff White** (8th Div. II), **Tom Vorderer** (2nd Class A 880) and **Don McWhirter** who has been most impressive in workouts and could be the "find" of the year. Other freshman candidates are, **Daniel Richard, Bill Jurczyk** and **Bill Englehardt.**

The team's goal for the season will be to qualify for the NCAA III Championship which will be held this year in Franklin Park, Boston. In order to qualify, Westfield will have to make good showing in the Easterns and the New Englands.

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SPORTS Could Be Dropped in 76

Oct. 1975

by Ron Czerwiec

The Athletic Council Seconds [illegible] to [illegible] the Athletic Department is one of the [illegible]

As of September 30 the department has yet to find coaches for Women's Cross-[illegible] and Men's Volleyball. Ice Hockey, Basketball and Lacrosse to name a few have coaches who are willing to coach, but the [illegible] does not have the funds to pay them. Coach Kurtz of the soccer team and Coach Cornell of the Men's track team must be commended for their time that they are putting in this year for coaching. They are not getting paid extra for coaching and they are also working a full teacher's load on top of that. If these men did not volunteer their services, the entire soccer and track teams would be in the same situation as the other teams.

Until the summer that the athletic [illegible] is supposed to come up with extra money for new equipment, extra trips, etc. But this year the money will be used to help coaches.

However, the problem is not as easily solved as that. In the first place, $4,000 is not going to take enough care for last year basketball coach Mike Zunic was paid a salary of approximately $7,000.

According to Athletic Director Fred Thomas, the department must look to see [illegible] in the gymnasium for basketball games and the [illegible] from the public. "I've tried to start paying for everything with the athletic [illegible] so we may have to [illegible] sooner."

[illegible] are going to be pressured by the [illegible] Council some of the [illegible] they can't do without extra [illegible] for the [illegible] this extra [illegible] will be up a [illegible] to [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] "I feel [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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BOOTERS UNDEFEATED — TILL NO. ADAMS

OCT. 1975

by Beth Carnes

State College soccer team to American International and defeated their host team by a score of 6-2. Returned to the line-up after an injury, co-captain, Dennis Dugus scored the first two goals of the game on passes from Ali Goncalves. Goncalves proved to be the biggest thorn in the side of the AIC team as he assisted in five of the six Westfield goals.

Chris Moukas grabbed a Mike Lodigiani pass and hustled past an AIC defender to score the last goal of the first half.

Chris Roukas finished off a series of well-executed passes to open the scoring early in the second half. Tim Sicard upped the score to 5-0 on a bread-away pass by Ali Goncalves. AIC finally put themselves on the scoreboard at the

twenty minute mark of the half, but Rick Mountain answered the AIC goal by putting a low hard shot past a defenseless AIC goalie three minutes later. The game ended with AIC tipping the ball past a screened Westfield goalie, settling the score at 6-2.

Westfield goalies Steve Balcanoff and Dana Blackie combined their efforts to shut-out League opponent Boston State by a score of 5-0. Gary Rodrigues initiated the first Westfield goal by breaking up a Boston attack at midfield and passing the ball to Chris Lynch. Lynch in turn, got the ball to Ali Goncalves, who scored the first of three goals. Three minutes later, Tim Sicard shot a Dennis Dugus rebound past an unsuspecting Boton goalie. Boston placed a threatening shot on the Westfield net, but goalie Steve Balcanoff reacted in time to prevent a Boston goal. A long pass to John Amaral by Eris Roukas set up Ali Goncalves for the third Westfield Goal.

Boston State got back into the play in the second half and tested goalie Dana Blackie with five of their seven total shots on net. However, the Westfield shot paid off and Dennis Dugas headed an Ali Goncalves pass into the lower right hand corner of the net. Goncalves completed a hat trick midway in the last period and put the game away at 5-0.

Westfield drubbed Worcester State by a score of 10-0 in their second league game of the season. Westfield controlled the tide of the game outshooting Worceste in the first half 29-2. Despite their numerous opportunities, Westfield found the Worcester net only three times. Mike Gauthier notched what proved to be the winning goal at 22:22 of the first half. John Amaral capitalized on a Dennis Dugus pass minutes later to put Westfield two up on the injury plagues Worcester team. Rich Mountain pounded an unassisted shot down the throat of Worcester goalie Mike Balcom, in the waning seconds of the first period.

Westfield successfully contained Worcester in their end and applied continual pressure on a tired Worcester goalie. While the Westfield booters were primarily on offense, Steve Mancini and Tony Ribiero came up with key defensive plays to preserve a Westfield shut out. Excellent ball control and team passing accounted for the second half rampage scoring.

Everyone had a hand, or more appropriately, a foot, in the scoring. John Amaral opened the scoring with Chris Moukas pushing the ball past the Worcester goalie several seconds later. Dennis Duarte headed a Chris Lynch pass into the center of the Worcester net. Tim Sicard then promptly directed a Chris Moukas drop back onto the net. A li Goncalves dribbled through a drooping Worcester defense and made the score 8-0.

The most exciting play of the game came when Worcester forwarded Carlos Chia found an unprotected area and drilled a shot directly at the Westfield net. Fullback Ray Peetz made a lunging grab for the ball thus preventing a sure goal. A penalty shot ensued and threatened to spoil a Westfield shut-out, however. Goalie Dana Blackie sprung from his crouching position to insure the shut out for his teammates. Rick Mountain and Mike Gauthier combined to add insult to injury by scoring a ninth Westfield goal. Dennis Dugus made the last tally of the game with Rick Mountain assisting, making the final score: Westfield 10, Worcester 0.

Westfield continued is long road trip on October 1, and defeated Nichols College 4-0. On October 3, the Owls defeated Framingham State 3-1 in a grudge game at their home field.

One of the most important games of the season will be played against Springfield College on Friday, October 10. Game time is tentatively set for 3:00 p.m.

Randolph Plays Softball

by Michael Crosby

Dr. Randolph, President of Westfield State College, is playing intramural softball this fall with the Faculty team.

In his first game on September 16, Dr. Randolph was approached for comments about his new activity. He replied, "I'm out here for the exercise, and I'm looking forward to playing every game." He also added, "I'm glad to be [illegible] with the students."

FALL SPORTS

SOCCER

October

10	Springfield
16	at Fitchburg
17	Castleton
21	at East Conn.
24	Salem
27	at WNEC
29	at UMASS

November

	at Quinnipiac
4	Central Conn.

FIELD HOCKEY

October

11	Central Conn.
14	at Bridgeport
16	at North Adams
21	Fitchburg
27	West. Conn.
25	at Jackson
29	Wesleyan
30	at Holy Cross

WOMEN'S TENNIS

October

11	Central Conn.		
14	at Bridgeport	27	West. Conn.
21	Fitchburg	29	Wesleyan
23	at RIC	30	Holy Cross

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Observations and Predictions; Men's Intramural Softball

by Pat Hassen

Men's softball is entering its third week of play and now is a good time to look at the standings, make some observations and perhaps make a few predictions.

This season received the largest turn out ever, 16 teams in all.

Softball seemingly has taken on the "good time" attitude originally intended for the sport. The games have become more disciplined with the addition of balls and strikes, a change instituted to speed up the games and make them more competitive.

TEAM OBSERVATIONS:

Weak Shack has emerged as a power this year displaying a solid defense and those devasting bats of Ken McCarron and Rich Corriea.

Bony's Babies have surprised the league by exhibiting an all around solid effort.

The Holes, after a defeat opening day by Weak Shack, have come into their own again and will be tough to beat again this year. The Holes are the defending champions.

Photo by Crosby

O'Shea's Graders are the faculty team and although winless are enjoying themselves. We have witnessed a solid performance from Dr. Randolph at catcher-Look out Johnny Bench!

Gusto is a team that was formed for the pure joy of playing. Concerned mainly with having a good time, this highly spirited, at times artificially motivated team plans to play the role of the spoiler.

PREDITIONS:

Although the season isn't even half over I'm prepared to pick the top six teams for the playoffs: Bony's Babies, Weak Shack, Holes, Wedge, Bad Company, and S.W.A.T.

I also look for a upset performance by the Holes in the playoffs. Foley and company always play super ball when it counts.

STANDINGS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30:

Bony's Babies	4-0
Wedge	4-0
Weak Shack	3-0
Slow Burners	1-0
Bad Company	3-1
Holes	2-1
S.W.A.T.	2-1
McGillacudds	2-1
Berkshire Rats	1-2
Mocha	1-2
Squida	1-2
Wazoo Willies	1-2
Vans	1-3
Oshea's Graders	0-4
Studs	0-4
Gusto	0-4

$PORTS FUTURE UNCERTAIN

The sports program for winter and spring sports is hanging in the air pending approval of a budget that will allocate $8,000-$10,000 salary for coaches of those sports.

Coaches for 8 sports; baseball, men's volleyball, mens and womens basketball teams, hockey, gymnastics, softball, and lacrosse, have not signed contracts, but are lined up for the coaching assignments. Athletic director Paul Bogan said: "I can't hire anyone, I have no money." Coaches for hockey and basketball are now conducting practices, but are not on salary as of yet.

Mr. Bogan said that in October President Randolph made a commitment of $8,500-$10,000 for coaching salaries, but the commitment is dependent on approval of the budget. Mr. Bogan said that he will probably meet with President Randolph sometime next week. When asked what he will do if the funds are not approved he replied "what will happen if there are no funds? I do not know what we'll do."

One possible partial solution would be to cut out some sports, but Mr. Bogan would rather not, saying "To eliminate a sport is a step backwards, not really solving the problem."

An amount of $4,000 was provided to pay coaches for fall sports. Of that amount, $1,100 was left over, which can be used to pay winter and spring sport coaches salaries, but will only be a part of the actual amount needed.

If coaches volunteer, there will still be a problem dealing with insurance liability in case of a law suit against a coach for example.

For tournament bound teams $2,000 was allocated. Last year it cost $5,000 alone to send the soccer team to Illinois.

If funds are not approved for winter and spring, Mr. Bogan, President Randolph, and the athletic counsel will have to meet to plan an appropriate course of action. The whole financial situation should be much clearer next week. Until then, sports at Westfield State will remain up in the air, financially.

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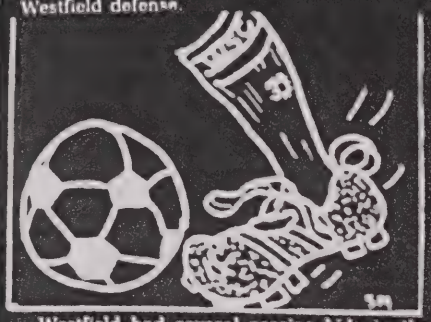
WSC Booters End 5 Year Drought Down Spfld. College, 1-0!

by Beth Caruso

Westfield State topped longtime soccer rival Springfield College in one of the most exciting games of the 1975 season. The game was an evenly matched one, with Springfield College slightly outshooting Westfield 17-16, but Westfield had the one shot that counted. First half action saw the play stay mainly at centerfield, with no real scoring threats from either team. Steve Balcanoff, who played an excellent game in the Westfield net, did thwart a Springfield scoring attempt on a cornerkick by Peter Haley. Ken Roberts picked an open corner and pounded the ball at the net, only to have Balcanoff bat the ball to fullback Willie Sorrenson. Sorrenson also had a good game for the Westfield defense.



Westfield had several scoring bids in the second half, but fortunately for Springfield they were the ones that got away. Springfield goalie Ed Jarret made two timely saves on shots by Chris Roukas and Ali Goncalves, on a seemingly open net. Playing well for the Owl contingent after sitting out a couple of games with an ankle injury was Chris Moukas. Senior Captain Dennis Dugas, doing what he does so well, planted his head on an Ali Goncalves pass at the 25:00 minute mark of the second half to give to give Westfield the go-ahead goal. From that point on, the efforts of goalie Steve Balcanoff along with Steve Mancini, Tony Ribiero, and Chris Lynch kept Westfield in the game. No one person can rightfully be declared the star of the game, for it was clearly a team effort which notched the victory for Westfield.

In other important action, Westfield took on two major league rivals. Westfield downed Framingham State in double overtime. After a scoreless first half, Westfield made it 1-0 on a Dennis Dugas goal from Chris Roukas. However, Framingham tied the score only five minutes later and that's the way it stayed after 90 minutes of regulation play. In the second of two 10 minute overtimes, Ali Gonvalves put Westfield back in the lead on a John Amaral cross. Chris Roukas added an insurance goal later in the period making the final score: Westfield 3, Framingham 1.

Westfield was not as successful against another major league opponent-North Adams State. Westfield opened the scoring early in the first period on a pass from Ali Goncalves to Chris Moukas. North Adams tied the score late in the period and the clock ran out with the score tied. Westfield seemed to be suffering a psychological let-down after a hard fought game against Framingham, and in the second half North Adams scored four straight goals. Mike Gauthier made the final score 5-2 with one minute left in the game.

A rested Westfield team blasted Mass. Maritime in their first game of the season 11-0. Ali Goncalves opened the barrage of scoring only 50 seconds into the game. Less than one minute later the forward trio of John Amaral, Dennis Dugas, and Ali Gonvalves made it 2-0. Westfield kept the shots flying at the Maritime goalie but it wasn't until the 25:00 minute mark that Willie Sorrenson placed an excellent shot in the net. Another halfback who joined the scoring act was Chris Lynch, who kicked a spinning ball into the upper right hand corner of the net on a direct kick. Seconds later, Mike Gauthier and Tim Sicard made it 5-0 Westfield's favor. Dennis Dugas once again used his head and turned a Chris Roukas pass into a goal to close first period scoring.

Dave Williamson and Mark Fournier Kept pressure of a busy Maritime boalie and made it 7-0. Tim Sicard then came through with two consecutive Westfield goals. Rick Mountain added two goals of his own to make it 11-0. Amidst the rampage Westfield scoring, the Maritime was credited with 16 saves, while Westfield goalies Dana Blackie and Steve Balcanoff were credited with the shutout.

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SOCCER DEBUT UNDER THE LIGHTS

The WSC soccer team made its debut under the lights a successful one by defeating Salem State 3-0. The net-minding chore, usually shared by Steve Balcanoff and Dana Blackie, was Blackie's sole responsibility against Salem, as Balconoff was sidelined with a knee injury. The game was a momentuous one not only because it was the first one to be played under the lights, but also because the shut-out tied the school record for most shut-outs in a season—9.

Scoring opened early in the first half on a goal by Chris Moukas. Westfield, up for playing under the lights and psyched by the large turn-out, kept continual pressure on the Salem goalie, outshooting them 35-7. Denis Dugas, who assisted on all the Westfield goals, fed Ali Goncalves a drop pass which he promptly converted into the second goal.

Goalie Dana Blackie was forced to defend his shut-out in the second half, with key scoring attempts by Salem. However, Blackie provided two timely saves which thwarted Salem's chances of evening the score. A questionalbe play by a Salem fullback, presented a third Westfield goal when he grabbed hold of the cross bar and kicked the ball over the endline. Afterward, Chris Moukas, making up for time lost due to an early season injury, notched his second goal of the evening, finalizing the score at 3-0.

In other league action, Westfield pounced Fitchburg 5-0. Westfield dominated the game during the opening minutes of play. Chris Moukas blasted a shot past the Fitchburg goalie to put Westfield on the scoreboard. Although the Fitchburg goalie accumulated 17 saves in the course of the game, three of Westfield's 23 shots in the first half, made their way into the net. Ali Goncalves and Denis Dugas each capitalized on a Chris Moukas cross to end the game with Westfield leading 3-0.

Fitchburg was faced with the same pressing offensive rush in second half play. Mike Gauthier hit John Amaral with a perfect cross-field chip to make it 4-0 in Westfield's favor. Tim Sicard added another goal minutes later to end Westfield scoring.

Westfield concentrated all their efforts against Castleton College to down one of the few teams that defeated them in their 1974 season. Excellent passing and team play accented Westfield's dominance of the game. They had numerous scoring attempts, but a sharp Castleton goalie kept the Westfield scoring from getting completely out of hand. Chris Moukas completed a series of skilled passed from Ali Goncalves to put Westfield ahead 1-0. The highlight of the game proved to be the next goal by Senior captain Denis Dugas, which broke the scoring record for most goals in consecutive games. Denis scored his 11th goal in 10 games to break the record of 10. Chris Moukas then combined with Chris Roukas and once again put Westfield on the scoreboard.

The tide of the game turned in the second half with Westfield being forced to play more of a defensive game. Castleton took control of the ball and refused to relinquish it. Westfield did pull through and preserve the victory owing to the exceptional efforts of the fullback line and goalie.

Westfield [illegible]ozed by Eastern Connecticut in one of the closest games of the season. Westfield was leading 2-0 at the half on direct kicks by Ali Goncalves, however, Eastern Conn. gathered momentum and began to prove a threat to Westfield goalie Steve Balcanoff. Denis Dugas then raced his way past two E. Conn. fullbacks and set a new scoring record of 12 goals. However, E. Conn. fought back with their first goal, which marked the beginning of Westfield's troubles. Shortly after that goalie Steve Balcanoff was forced to leave the game with a knee injury. Westfield upped their lead to 4-1 on a beautifully executed shot by Willie Sorrenson, after he dribbled the ball half the length of the field. Once again E. Conn. struck back and gained another goal. Chris Roukas scored the game winning goal on a chip from Gary Rodriques with 9:05 left in the game. E. Conn. threatened to tie the game when they scored two goals in the last six minutes of the game, but the clock ran out with a final score of Westfield 5—E. Conn. 4.

Westfield played the role of the spoiler in a game against Western New England Collage by defeating them 3-1. WNEC has only two losses this season, both of those to Westfield. Once again Westfield took an early game lead on a goal by Chris Moukas. Dennis Duarte, who played an outstanding game both offensively and defensively, scored the second Westfield Goal on a direct kick which spun into the upper left hand corner of the net. Denis Dugas scored the final Westfield goal on a Chris Roukas break-away pass.

The atmosphere of the second half was quite different than that of the first. WNEC had scored a quick goal making the score 3-1, and when unsportsmanlike conduct broke out between the players. As a result there were several injuries and considerable verbal abuse among the players detracting from the game.

Tony Ribiero was sidelined for several minutes with a knee injury sustained while he attempted to clear the ball from Westfield's end. Following Ribiero to the sidelines shortly after was injured goalie Steve Balcanoff, who up to that point had played a good game for Westfield.

WNEC then forced the play into the Westfield end, but new goalie Dana Blackie had several spectacular saves which prevented any further WNEC scoring. Once, again the defensive unit of Steve Mancini, Willie Sorrenson, Gary Rodriques, and Chris Lynch came through for Westfield. Unfortunately, Tony Ribiero was kicked again in the same knee and remained out of play for the remainder of the game.

Westfield's record now stands at 14-1-1 with three games left in the season. Who knows what lies ahead for the Westfield Booters, they just could be tournament bound again this year.

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Forty-Six Candidates In Hockey Training Camp

The varsity hockey team started its second season on October 15 with open tryouts. Forty-six candidates were trying for the six different positions.

After the first week, the team was reduced to its present twenty-five skaters and four goalies. Early showing in training camp indicates a good possibility of producing a successful season this winter.

The teams strong suit, at the moment, appears to be at the center position, with newcomers Richard Hammel and Ray Rowe showing a lot of savvy. A definite improvement can be seen on left wing with the addition of Jim Donohue and Dave Folan. Right wing is looking continuously better due to a year's experience under the belts of Chad Lesage, Dave Sheehan, Dennis King, and the hardworking Mike Davis.

The sharpest competition is taking place in the defense positions where the team presently has nine prospects fighting for six openings. At the moment, rangy Andy Hevey and smooth skating Ray Lyons are a challenge to the rest of the crew.

The goalie situation is very much up in the air and will not be decided until the team completes the four scheduled sc rimmage games. Competing for the jobs are returnee Bob Austin, Bob McGee who was not eligable last year. Newcomers are Curt Everett and Jay Dizacomo.

Following completion of the first week of training camp, Westfield has every reason to believe that this season should be the year that the hockey team gains respectability. The only negative factor that looms, is the loss of captain Jerry Twolig, due to cartilage damage. Let's hope for a fast recovery so that Jerry may join the team soon.

There have been rumors passed around the campus as to whether or not the hockey team is in business. It should be safe to say that with the new talent entering the program they are very much in business.

Aside from producing a respectable team, one of the most pressing problems will be in raising funds to replace the defeciences in our operating budget.

And again, the team is approaching this problem in a positive fashion. Rather than looking for a handout, the team is embarking on a season ticket campaign, which will help not only in raising the needed funds, but hopefully it will bring the college community closer to being part of the program. The team honestly feels that they will be offering an exciting ten home game schedule at the bargain price of $7.50 per student, and $10.00 per adult. Gate admission will be $1.00 per student, and $1.50 per adult. All ten games will be played in the Springfield Olympia, just off Rte. 5 in West Springfield. This is an excellent facility to enjoy exciting college hockey. All games will start at 8:30 p.m.

The home game schedule is as follows:

Nov. 29 WSC vs. Fairfield
Dec. 3 WSC vs. North Adams
Dec. 8 WSC vs. S.M.U.
Jan. 19 WSC vs. Trinity
Jan. 29 WSC vs. Mass. Maritime
Feb. 2 WSC vs. Fitchburg
Feb. 5 WSC vs. U. Maine
Feb. 9 WSC vs. Framingham
Feb. 14 WSC vs. Nichols
Feb. 26WSC vs. Boston State

1975 - 1976

SOCCER OWLS END REGULAR SEASON 16-2-1

Beth Caruso

Westfield experienced its second loss of the season in a close game in which the UMass Minutemen nipped the Owl Booters 3-2. Westfield efforts paid off early in first period play and Chris Roukas drove a "Dennis Dugas cross" into the upper hand corner of the UMass net. Westfield bombarded the UMass net with shots until finally, a searing shot by Chris Moukas eluded the UMass goalie making it 2-0.

UMass refreshed after the half time break narrowed the Westfield lead to one goal only three minutes into the second half. From that point on UMass took control of the game. Westfield goalie Steve Balcanoff was faced with a barrage of shots, of which he was able to keep 15 out. Not all his efforts were rewarded however, and UMass notched another goal tying the score. Westfield outshot UMass but UMass made one shot pay off and defeated the Owl Booters 3-2.

Westfield outfought violent fall winds to shut out Quinnipiac College of Connecticut 5-0. The shut out was Westfield's 10th, thus breaking the college record for shut outs in one season. Dana Blackie played a magnificent game in goal for Westfield, while Steve Balcanoff preserved the victory in the closing minutes of the game.

Chris Roukas initiated the play which first put Westfield ahead, while Alley Goncalves added the finishing touches to make it 1-0. That was the only Westfield goal in the first half despite their 20 shots. Westfield picked up more momentum in the second half and early in the period Chris Lynch made a perfect chip right in front of the net, which Dennis Dugas quickly converted into a Westfield goal. While most of the play took place in the Quinnipiac end of the field, Dana Blackie was called upon to protect Westfield's shut out on a head ball off a corner kick. An unexpected setback in the Westfield Gary, who played a superb game at fullback, pulled several muscles in his stomach and had to watch the rest of the game from the sidelines.

Chris Roukas got the Westfield offense rolling once more and at the 24 minute mark planted a "Tim Sicard pass" square in the center of the Quinnipiac net. Not letting up for one minute, Mike Gauthier put Westfield even further ahead by blasting a low hard shot past the Quinnipiac goalie. Twenty seconds later Tim Sicard put the icing on the cake and made the record breading score 5-0.

In the final game of the regular season, Westfield defeated Central Conn. under the lights by a score of 3-1. The leading Owl scorer, Alley Goncalves sent a blinding shot into the lower right hand corner of the net to open Westfield's scoring. Westfield had several scoring opportunities but did not get on the score board again until the second half. Dennis Dugas made it 2-0 in Westfield's favor half way into the second period. Chris Moukas made the last Westfield goal on a cross-field chip by Mike Lodigiani. Central rallied to make it 3-1, but the defensive contingent of Steve Mancini, Tony Ribiero, Willie Sorrenson and Bill Keefe successfully contained the Central Conn. offense and Westfield ended their regular season with an impressive record of 16-2-1. Westfield enters NCAA tournament play against Babson College at Wellesley and will battle to retain their New England Region Championship title.

Baseball Stats

	AB	R	H	SB	rbi	Avg
J. Mosko	16	1	4	2	0	.250
K. Walmsley	7	0	0	2	0	.000
G. Beard	36	5	10	1	2	.278
A. Mazel	13	0	2	1	1	.154
B. Noone	25	0	6	0	2	.240
S. Thurber	16	0	0	0	0	.000
J. Seckler	7	1	4	1	0	.571
S. Belch	5	1	1	1	0	.200
F. Hapler	14	1	1	0	0	.071
M. Barbara	10	0	3	2	0	.300
S. Perry	29	3	7	4	1	.241
B. Benn	30	4	6	2	3	.200
J. Dougherty	32	3	10	1	7	.313
B. Mayo	29	4	8	0	3	.276
R. Viedbalski	31	2	7	1	3	.226
E. Simm	14	2	4	0	2	.286
D. Tabin	19	2	4	6	0	.211
M. Sanson	0	2	0	0	0	.000
F. Bacon	19	5	4	1	3	.222
M. Politi	3	0	0	1	0	.000
C. Abert	8	2	3	1	0	.375
H. Ratchford	0	0	0	0	0	.000
D. Clivio	36	2	4	0	2	.111

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BASKETBALL TEAM WINS MAYOR'S TOURNAMENT

The underdog WSC OWLS won the Mayor's Basketball Tournament by defeating AIC Friday and Western New England Saturday at the Civic Center in Springfield.

In the first game WSC defeated favored AIC in one of the most exciting games of the tournament. WSC jumped off to a big lead early in the game but turnovers and sloppy shooting enabled AIC to tie the game up and send it inot overtime deadlocked at 51-51. Lead by Billy Littleton, WSC finally squeaked by 58-55.

In the final game of the tournament the OWLS waltzed over the defending-champions WNEC by a score of 85-68, to take the tournament honors. Duane Jackson received the Most Valuable Player of the tournament award with his outstanding performance in both games. His biggest night, Saturday, he scored a game high of 28 points and collected 15 rebounds. Four WSC players, Bill Littleton, Tom Parks, David Rose, and Dwayne Jackson were selected for the All-Tournament Team. The tournament left the Owls' record at 4-1.

Intramural Football "Is News"

Intramural football has dominated the intramural news for the last few weeks. Some changes were made this year which have brought added interest and excitement to football.

First, there were some rule changes made to clean up the play and make football more competitive.

Secondly, all games have been played on the turf under the lights. This change has really inspired the players and attracted a fine crowd to most every game.

The football season has seen many surprising upsets this year. The established powers have both been upset twice so far this year, and relative unknowns have stepped forth and asserted their power to take leads in the standings. With only one day of play left, one or two playoff positions are still up for grabs.

The women's league had it's spectacular moments this year with the defending champions struggling in their last two games after shaking off some serious accusations about their manner of play.

INTRAMURAL FOOTBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	T
Spaz City Angels	4	1	0
Walkers	4	1	0
Notre Dames	3	2	0
Oobers	3	2	0
Covergirls	1	4	0
Dick Chicks	0	5	0

HOCKEY TEAM OPENS SEASON

Westfield State's Varsity Hockey team opened it's season this past week with it's first two home games. The opener was against third ranked, Fairfield University. The crowd witnessed the Owls battle to a 4-4 tie which resulted in sudden death overtime. Each team had opportunity to score, but neither team was able to capitalize.

Fairfield opened the scoring with two quick goals on power-play advantages. WSC's. Jim Donaghue cut the margin by one in the last fifty-four seconds of the first period by jamming home a rebound off an Andy Heavy slapshot. Heavy and Dave Sheehan picked up the assists.

The second goal of the night, for Westfield, went to Peter Andruszkiewicz on an eighty foot slapshot that deflected off the goal post and in. The assist went to Glenn White.

Westfield went ahead for the first time in the game with a fifteen footer by Dave Sheehan.

Fairfield tied up the game early in the third period. A fine pass from Mike Davis sent Glenn White in alone on a breakaway to put Westfield in front 4-3.

The Stags tied it up again, though, with a minute left in the game to put the teams into overtime play. No goals were scored in the extra ten minutes, and the final score remained 4-4.

The Owl's second game was against a very tough, Division II, North Adams team. The first period was wide open with each team having many opportunities. North Adams opened the scoring with a goal on a powerplay at 9:18.

Westfield came out for the second period outplaying North Adams, and the momentum seemed to turn their way. Late in the period, however, North Adams scored to increase their lead. Westfield bounced back at 15:53, when Dave Folan scored on a backhander through a screen, to put WSC within one. The assist went to Chad Lesage.

Third period scoring opened when WSC's Dick Hammel won the draw back to Dave Sheehan in the slot who put the fifteen footer along the ice into the left corner. At 12:48 in the period North Adams scored from the left side to make it 3-2. Shortly after North Adams increased the score with a screen shot from the point. North Adams put the game out of reach for Westfield with a goal late in the period. The second game of the season ended with the score, 5-2.

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Baseball Team Looks Good

by Michael Crosby

The Westfield State College varsity baseball team has completed their fall schedule and training.

There were twenty-two games scheduled to be played this fall, however only fourteen were actually played. The eight games that weren't played were cancelled because of rain or other technicalities.

The Owls ended the short season with a 7-7 record, which is no indication as to how well the team can actually perform. Four of the losses, which Westfield was leading at one point in the game, Coach Magarian removed the starting players and inserted the new freshmen tryouts. Magarian said: "I regret that there were so many cancellations, because I wanted the players to have more playing time, especially the newcomers."

Pitcher Mark Pananos suffered a finger injury, but was able to recover before the season ended. In his last two outings, Mark pitched strong games, and should be in top shape for the spring. Pananos is one of the team's best pitchers.

Another pitcher, Bob Monez, suffered a back injury at the beginning of this fall. Bob returned to the lineup to pitch very well at the end of the fall season. Monez pitched seven strong innings against UMaine, giving up only four hits and leading 3-1 before being lifted in the game. UMaine was the University Division Champion in the NCAA.

Bob Monez was picked as All New England pitcher, and pitched well in the All New England All Star Game at Holy Cross last summer.

The best all round performer of the fall was pitcher Dennis Wojdag. Dennis pitched nine innings against UMaine, allowing no earned runs, beat Springfield College 2-1, and lost in a well-pitched game to UMass.

The baseball team is presently planning their annual southern trip, which is scheduled for over semester break.

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Final Women's Volleball Standings

WOMEN'S FINAL VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

AVA

	W.	L.
1. Pie	8	3
2. Zeroes	8	4
3. Bongs	6	5
4. Marauders	6	5
5. Panthers	5	5
6. Rookies	5	5
7. SuperVixens	5	5
8. Ninks	5	5
9. 78'ers	4	6
10. Neibteks	2	6
11. Keisters	2	8

NVA

1. No Names *	12	1
2. Spaz City	9	3
3. 6 + Pretenders	7	4
4. Oobers	7	4
5. Earth Angels	6	4
6. Biowies	5	5
7. Rotations	5	5
8. Jokers	4	6
9. Desperados	2	8
10. Team # 2	2	8
11 Munchkins	0	10

* Championship Team

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Owl Booters Bow to Babson

by Beth Caruso

The Westfield State Soccer team closed its season on a less than happy note, defeated by Babson College 2-0. Westfield played an aggressive game of soccer the first half and kept the Babson goalie busy, but the undefeated Babson contingent proved to be too much for the Westfield Owls. Westfield kept the score tied 0-0 on excellent defensive play from Steve Mancini, Tony Ribiero, and goalie Steve Balcanoff. Co-Capt. Mancini broke the record for soccer games played at Westfield by appearing in his 75th game, against Babson. Westfield outshot Babson in the first half, but neither team managed to get on the scoreboard.

Babson came on strong early in the second half and played a brand of soccer which eventually earned them the National NCAA Division III Championship. With only four minutes gone in the period, Joe Olivere made it 1-0 in favor of Babson on a driving shot into the lower right hand corner of the net. The game pretty much belonged to Babson from that point on. A key performer for Westfield in their losing cause was Willie Sorrenson. Chris Roukas was another bright spot for Westfield in the losing cause.

Joe Olivere notched his second goal of the game at the half-way mark and Westfield's season ended at the hands of a championship soccer team. Despite its not-so-happy ending, the story is not a sad one. Westfield had an excellent season compiling a 16-3-1 record. Many team records were set and many important games won.

Record for games played
Steve Mancini 75

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December 12, 1975

Soccer Coach And Team Hailed

by Michael Crosby

Coach John Kurty has been coaching the soccer team for the last ten years, succeeding Mr. Green. Coach Kurty has compiled a lifetime career record of 129 wins, 30 losses and eleven ties. This is something we should all be very proud of, not only for Coach Kurty, but the hard working men on the team.

Kurty's worst season was a 9-5 year, which isn't all that bad. His best year was when his team posted a 15-1-1 record in 1970.

I asked Coach Kurty what he attributes to his fantastic career record, and he replied, "the coach doesn't do it himself. He's got to have the players, and we've been fortunate to have them."

And he has talented players, as several of the Westfield soccer players have been selected to New England All Star teams. Many of the players come from this area of the state, and have been introduced to a good caliber of soccer. They are very dedicated men, and when they enter WSC, they usually finish their careers here, if just for the sake of soccer.

After a successful season this year, the soccer team is losing many talented seniors. Dennis Dugas, a senior, just this year established a new record by scoring at leabt one goal in thirteen consecutive games. Last year Dennis set a record for most goals in a season with 26 scores.

Steve Mancini, senior and co-captain, has been a starter for four straight years. Coach Kurty commented, "I can't give Steve enough credit for the defense he's given us this year, and other years as well.

Senior Tony Ribiero is a second year transfer, and was a very good defensive player.

Senior Steve Balconoff played goal-tender. Steve laid off for a few years and came back to be another great Owl booter.

The other goaltender was Dana Blackey, who established a record with ten shutouts.

Seniors Ray Peetz and Mike Lidigiani were reserves but made a big contribution to the team.

Although Coach Kurty is losing many of his players through graduation, he still feels that he has a good nucleus to have a good team next year.

Coach Kurty has brought his teams to NCAA tournaments three times, and the ECAC tournament once. Only four teams in the state are picked to attend these conferences.

Last year, the Owls traveled to Wheaton, Illinois for the national tournament. Westfield lost in the opening game to Brockport College from Rochester, New York. The Owl booters then went on to beat MacMurray College from Illinois in the concellation game.

This year Westfield was again invited to the NCAA tournament, but lost the first game, which knocked them out of competition.

The following are the records of Coach John Kurty and the WSC Soccer team:

1966 8-4-0	1971 9-5-3
1967 9-5-0	1972 15-2-1
1968 12-2-3	1973 15-2-1
1969 13-2-0	1974 17-4-1
1970 15-1-1	1975 16-3-1

Basketball Season Nears End

by Michael Crosby

The Westfield State men's basketball team is enjoying a successful season, with a present record of 14-7.

After dropping their second game of the season to Boston State, the Owls went on a six game winning streak. Boston State, once again the culprits, ended the streak with a victory. The Bulldogs up-ended Westfield in the closing minutes of the game, and the final score was a close 61-58.

From that point on, Westfield was not consistent in the win column at all. In the first half of the season, the Owls went an impressive 9-3. So far, in the second half, Westfield has gone a mere 5-4.

Of Westfield's more impressive victories are the romps over Mass Maritime, the first game by a score of 95-59; the 83-64 victory over Fitchburg State, and the victories over WNEC, AIC, Salem and Worcester.

Parks leads the team in the scoring department with a 16.4 average. He also leads the team in rebounds, points scored, field goals attempted and made, and free throws attempted and made.

The Owls have three games left, two away and one home. The home game is the last game of the year. The Owls will play Framingham on February 28. Tip-off time at 7:30 P.M.

DWAYNE JACKSON DRIVES FOR TWO

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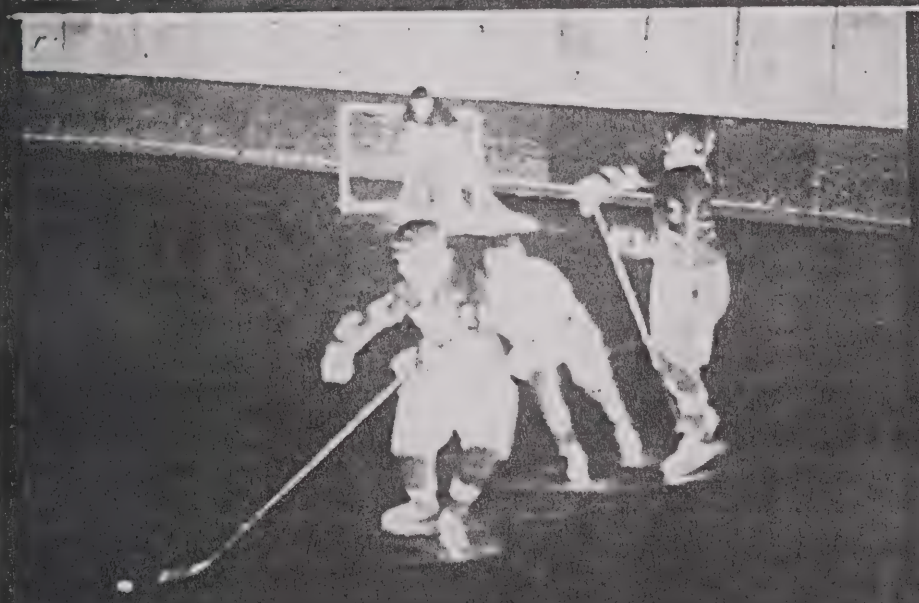

RAY LYONS IN A FAST BREAK

Hockey Ends Commendable Season Despite Financial Problems

by Beth Caruso

After starting out on a rather sour note, the infant WSC hockey team compiled an overall record of 6-13-1. To the casual observer, this would not be rated as a successful season; however, anyone realizing the financial crunch affecting the two year old team, can readily see that this feat was not easily accomplished. Westfield is a member of the Division III ECAC as well as the Mass State College Conference. One of the crucial problems in competing in the later conference is that a young inexperienced team such as Westfield is forced to play against veteran teams in higher divisions, in this case hockey powerhouses North Adams and Salem. Westfield did however play a challenging game against North Adams but were edged by one goal. Despite these obstacles, Coach Mike Holubowich and the Owl icemen managed to attain a fairly impressive record of 5-8-1 in Division III competition.

Westfield was not lacking in either offense or defense, as the statistics show a moderately even balance in the Goals For and Goals Against columns. Westfield accumulated 68 and 76 respectively. Coach Holubowich attributed this balance to fast skating and good passing ability as well as his team members playing what he called, "a good head man game." The largest scoring threat for Westfield was freshman Richie Hamel, the team's leading scorer. Goaltending chores were shared mainly by Curt Everett and Bob McGee who together combined for a 4.3 goals against average. One of the promising notes for this year's team was that 13 of the 22 varsity players were freshman. This undoubtedly should put Westfield ahead of the game when forming a team next year.

A major setback confronting the hockey team this year and many of the other sports teams at Westfield was the lack of finances. The members of the team were not only expected to practice every day and play in games, but also to raise funds to pay for expensive ice time. The teams sold over 200 season tickets but the fact that the home games are played at Springfield definitely had its toll on gate receipts. Coach Holubowich noted that the small attendance not only affected the financial status of the team but also the morale. "The extended semester break hurt all the teams," contended Holubowich. "We had a strong second half of the season, but our attendance dropped as the season continued."

What Coach Holubowich and the players would like to see is more school-wide support. A winning season is a hard goal to accomplish when battling forces other than six opponents on skates. This year will probably go down in the books as an "average" one for the WSC hockey team, but with experience, some newly discovered talent, and more student support, next year promises to bring an interesting and exciting season of hockey to Westfield State.

Introducing: Lacrosse

by Brian Pienta

Although baseball and track receive top billing as warm weather sports, there is a third sport which deserves equal mention.

Originally called baggataway by the North American Indians, lacrosse has developed into a highly competitive sport much in the style of ice hockey. Basically, the game involves the passing of a small, hard ball composed of indiarubber sponge through the use of sticks. Each stick has a hooked portion at the top, called the crosse, which is composed of a network to facilitate the catching and passing of the ball. Because checking is allowed the game takes on a fast paced, hockey type atmosphere.

Today, lacrosse is just beginning to become popular in the high schools of New England. Because of this, it is still very difficult for college coaches to recruit experienced high school players.

Despite this fact, last year's Westfield State lacrosse team, under first year coach Tony Viecelli, compiled a four win, eight loss record. This record is misleading because twenty of the twenty-nine players on last year's squad were freshmen, lacking needed game experience. In addition, the team went against stiff competition from the rival schools.

This year's squad, led by captains Jim Regan, Andy Gray and Tom Shannon, appears to be strong offensively. With the nucleus he has now, coach Viecelli is optimistic of a winning season.

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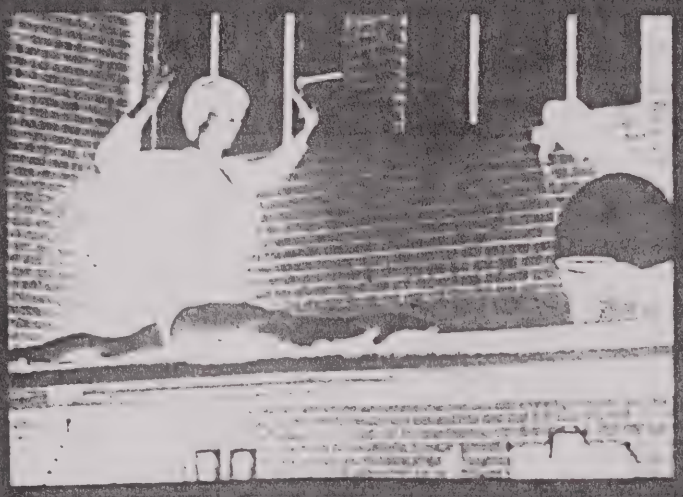
There ARE Women's Sports At WSC

The women's varsity program has six sports: basketball, tennis volleyball, gymnastics and field hockey. Last Spring a few women went out for the men's track team, as they may for any sport. The men have the option too. WSC doesn't offer men's gymanstics, so any male student may try out for that team. However, Bogan went on to say that other schools would probably refuse to compete if that happened.

Women's athletics are attracting more spectators than ever before, Bogan said, because the competition is getting much better. Bogan added that the new budget cuts are necessitating a cutback in athletics so the teams will suffer because of it.

Bogan said the women's intramurals program is larger than the mens and usually there is more spectator interest as well.



... AND ON THE BALANCE BEAM

Lacrosse Opens with VICTORY

The Westfield State lacrosse team got off to a very auspicious start Sunday the 21st. by handing Babson College a 6-4 defeat.

With an evil intentioned sky above and a biting breeze in the air, the partisan crowd eagerly awaited the face off between the two rival squads. Their anticipation was instantly rewarded as Jim Regan took the opening face off and raced the length of the field to give Westfield a 1-0 edge. The lead was short lived though as Westfield incurred a penalty, placing them in the man down situation. With this advantage Babson was able to tie the score at 1 all. Hard checking on the part of the Westfield defense and the superb goal tending of freshman Tom Majeau, combined to break up subsequent scoring drives during the penalty.

Towards the end of the period, Babson suffered a penalty giving Westfield the man-up situation. Emmette Ashe cased in on this windfall, ramming a shot home to give Westfield a 2-1 lead.

Early in the second period, Westfield added a third goal to their total when Andy Gray alertly deflected an errant shot into the crease. It was at this point of the game that nature decided to act. Clouds, which before had seemed only angry, now appeared murderous in intent. Instantaneously, a deluge of wind driven rain descended upon the spectators and players; temporarily halting competition and forcing everyone to migrate to dryer environs. After the wind and rain had sufficiently abated, players and officials (minus onlookers) returned to the soggy turf to resume play.

In the first ten minute period of the second half, Pat Foley duplicated Jim Regan's feat by scoring on the opening face off. But penalties again came back to haunt Westfield as Babson scored three times with Westfield in man down situations.

The fourt and final period commenced with the two teams deadlocked at 4 all. Midway through the period, Jim Regan scored his second goal; which eventually proved to be the game winner. To ice the victory, Pat Foley connected on his second goal, finishing the scoring at 6-4. Credit for the win must go to the excellent man down defense employed by Westfield and the steady goal tending displayed by Tom Majeau.

Despite the elements, the hard hitting action of the contest proved worthwhile for all who attended.

March 30, 1976

Baseball Team back from Southern Trip

There was an outbreak of flu, the other teams had been playing for over a month, and two very close games were cited as reasons by coach Ken Magarian for the baseball teams 5-4 record on their southern trip to North Carolina.

Coach Magarian added that a lack of hitting this year will call for a stronger emphasis on the defense. He said a shift in the traditional infield positions may be effective also.

Coach Magarian was not pleased with the team's schedule this year: 5 home dates out of 37 games. With a baseball coach's traditional press on optimism he added - With a little luck and a few good breaks, we could have a very good season.

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Winter Track Finishes Season Sets Record

The WSC winter trackmen just completed a productive season finishing ninth out of 21 in the Eastern Intercollegiate meet dominating such names as Worcester State, Springfield College, MIT and Boston State.

Of all the colleges in New England, Westfield has three of the top six sprinters, including Kenny Hughes, Randy Boyce and Bernie Welby who finished third, fourth and fifth, respectively, in the 50-yard-dash. Westfield's scoring was completed in the Easterns with a strong third place finish from freshman Rus Bosback in the triple jump at just 45 feet.

Coach Gravel said the highlight of the season was Hughes's fourth place finish in the 50-yard-dash in the New England's. This marks the second time that Westfield has placed there. Bernie Welby's stunning performance in the 50-yard-dash earlier in the season broke a 47 year old New England record at 5.2 seconds.

The dedicated and equally talented trackmen broke a few records and made a healthy run at others. Naturally, Welby's performance was a school mark. Four WSC heros, Joe Spitz, Kevin Dalton, Tom Vodser and Paul Ferreira, combined to set the two-mile-relay record at 7:55.4.

Several freshmen were in a bit of the spotlight. Bosback set a record in the triple jump, Sean McDonough set the school mark in the shot put at 44 feet 11 inches. Along with his record in the two-mile-relay, Vodser set an indoor 880 record at 1:58.4, making him seventh in New England.

Kevin Dalton, a junior and a hardworking leader of the team, took 39 seconds off of his own two mile time, finishing just two seconds short of the school record.

It should prove rewarding to keep an eye on the team this spring season as they try for their third consecutive Mass. State College Track Championship.

Baseball Honors

In the June 11, 1976 issue of "Collegiate Baseball" Westfield State was rated 12th. in the nation in College Division III. It was the highest New England team in the ratings. Westfield captured the Massachusetts State College Championship for the second year in a row, with an impressive 14 and 2 conference record.

The team went to Waltham in May to play in the 1976 NCAA Division III, District I Championship. They were knocked out with losses to Ithaca and Queens.

First baseman Jack Dougherty, outfielders Steve Perry and Dave Tabin, and pitcher Bob Monis were all named to the Massachusetts All Conference Team for 1976. Second baseman Fisk Bacon and pitcher Mark Pananos made the second team. Dave Tabin had the distinction of making the first team in the All New England Selections for 1976. Jack Dougherty, Mark Pananos, and Bob Moniz all made the second team.

Tabin and Dougherty both ended the year with 402 batting averages. Bob Moniz ended with a 2.33 ERA for 63-2/3 innings pitched. It was a combined effort of all players that made 1976 an outstanding year for the baseball team.

Intramurals Expand

A big year is planned for intramural sports this year. There will be 30 activities with an estimated 3,500 participants. There were only 15 events in 1976 and only 9 in 1972. There is a new award system being initiated. The winners of the team competition for the year will receive the James Banacos Cup, named after a Westfield State student who was paralyzed as a result of an injury sustained in a lacrosse game.

The winning team is decided by the number of accumulated points that they have by the end of the year. Each team will receive 25 points for entering any given event. Points are also given for placing in the top 6 teams in that given event. This puts more value on participating than winning. A team could win the Cup without ever placing higher than fourth in any given event.

There will also be community involvement in the sports programs. There will be clinics for the area youths and campus-community competition in some events.

The first intramural events will be the softball tournement, football league, and soccer league. There will be notices on the bulletin boards. Shortly after that there will be manager meetings and due dates for rosters. Remember to check the bulletin boards. An intramural handbook will be coming out about the second or third week of September.

Some of the sports covered this year will be basketball, tennis, volleyball, hockey, swimming, bowling, skiing, bike riding, cross country, badminton, and many more. For more information, the new office of intramural sports is located at Wilson 141. Director Den Magarian will be glad to help out or answer questions.

October 8, 1975

WSC Will Dedicate New Dormitory In Memory of Dr. Theresa Lammers

by Jane Ourand

WESTFIELD—On Sunday, Oct. 26 at 3:30 in the afternoon the new dormitory at Westfield State College will officially be dedicated as the Theresa J. Lammers Hall.

The dormitory was completed in October 1973 by contractor Joseph Francese, Inc., of Pittsfield. It was originally planned as a women's dormitory but is now co-ed, with certain sections set apart for male residents.

Dr. Lammers taught at Westfield for nearly 40 years, from 1926 until she retired in 1965, when she was named Professor Emeritis by the State College Board of Trustees. For five years after her retirement she remained on campus as Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, establishing the alumni office and setting up its oeprating procedures.

During her career at Westfield she was director of physical education for women for 17 years and then professor of biological sciences for 22 years, also serving as chairman of her department. She received her Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1948.

Wrote History

Dr. Lammers was an avid student of the college's history, serving as co-chairman of the Centennial Celebration in 1939 and later as chairman of the college's 125th Anniversary observance in 1964. She wrote the comprehensive story of the college that appeared in the book on the history of Westfield published in conjunction with the city's Tricentennial celebration in 1969.

Through her tireless efforts much valuable material pertaining to the college's past was added to the library for the use of future students.

Honors Recipient

She was the recipient of many academic and professional honors, including the Dudley Allen Sargent Service Award in 1956, the Kappa Delta Pi Honor Key in 1965, the Science Education Recognition Award in 1968, and the Boston University Charter Centennial Citation in 1969. She was a member of several honor societies, including Phi Beta Kappa.

Dr. Lammers was one of those teachers who touched the lives of her students in a special way, for she performed those kinds of services that so often go unrecognized and unrewarded but without which the college would be a lesser place today.

The dedication ceremony committeee is made up of Dr. Loretta McHugh, director of teacher education, chairman; Dr. Catherine Dower, professor of music, co-chairman; Prof. Maria Maris, associate professor of modern foreigh languages; William Crean, director of admissions; Raymond Costello, superintendent of buildings and grounds; Mrs. Susan Goulding, assistant to the president; Mrs. Dorrance Green and Mrs. Susan Greaney for alumni; and Ms. Patricia Findland and Ms. Evangela Pavloglou for the students.

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Owls drop squeaker

By Paul LeBlanc
Evening News Writer

WEST SPRINGFIELD—What is frustation? Ask the Westfield State College hockey team, which poured 78 shots on an opposing goal and still lost.

Worcester State College goalie Robert Eramo kicked out 73 shots to cool a sizzling Westfield State offense in a 6—5 loss for the Owls Wednesday night at the Olympia.

"No question about it, our offense is our strong point. I'm going to concentrate only on defense for the rest of the year," Mike Holubwich, Westfield coach, said. The Westfield defense was not playing in position, allowing breakaways and numerous two-on-three situations. Owl netminder Curt Everett made some brilliant saves but was continually hampered by Worcester players around the cage. Everett had 46 saves for the night.

Westfield opened up the scoring with a quick wrist shot by forward Jim Collins in the first period. Dick Todd came right back for Worcester State when he slipped the puck under the pads of Everett. Worcester had three men in front of the net at the time of the goal.

Everett kept the Owls in the game with 22 saves in the first period. Eramo had also had 22 saves at the other end. Rick Freeman scored a second Worcester goal with one minute remaining in the first period.

Jim Collins once again opened up the scoring in the second period with a power play goal. Midway through the period, Curt Degan scored a power-play goal to put Worcester ahead, 3-2. Less than a minute later Worcester scored again on the same power play, this time with a wrist shot by Bob Donahue. Eramo continually frustrated the Owls with 24 saves in the second period.

Less than a minute into the third period, Worcester forward Bill Gemme came in alone on Everett and put a quick hard wrist shot into the corner. A few minutes later, Jim McCullough skated by Westfield defenseman Bill Spears, put a fake on Everett and scored, putting Worcester ahead, 6-2.

Midway through the period, when it looked like all was lost for the Owls, they suddenly turned it on. Westfield kept the puck in the offensive zone until Paul Liberty backhanded a shot behind Ermo off a Ray Lyons pass. Less than two minutes later Westfield scored again with a lightning Kenny Gray wrist shot to the top corner.

With over 7 minutes left Andy Hevey let go a blazing slap shot which Paul Bracken tipped in to bring the Owls withen a goal. Westfield stepped up their offense further, pumping a total of 30 shots at the Worcester netminmder. Holubowich pulled Everett out with one minute left, but the Owls couldn't put the disc by the red-hot Eramo.

"Man-to-man we should have beaten them. We tried to cut down on penalties this game, but I wonder if it stopped our players from giving that extra shove to get him from in front of the net," Holubowich said after the game. "I think our goalie played an excellent game."

The Owls will meet Bentley at home next Friday at 8:30 at the Coliseum. The loss makes Westfield 3-3 in overall play and 3-2 in divisional play.

FIRST PERIOD—Westfield 1. Collins (Riley) 9:52 Worcester 1. Todd (Allain) 5:39. Worcester 2. Freeman (McCullough)

SECOND PERIOD—Westfield 2. Collins (Folan) 12:51. Worcester 3. Degan 9:49. Worcester 4. Donahue (Mattison) 8:07.

THIRD PERIOD—Worcester 5. Gemme (Todd) 19:21. Worcester 6. Mattison (Todd) 13:40. Westfield 3. Liberty (Lyons) 12:40. Westfield 4. Gray (Sheehen) 11:25. Westfield 5. Bracken (Hevey) 7:47.

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WSC soccer begins season

The Westfield State Soccer team got off to a good start this season by winning their first four games. In the Massachusetts State Conference Action, Westfield defeated Bridgewater State by a score of 8-0. Westfield controlled the game from the outset with Chris Moukas placing a Mark Fournier pass into the Bridgewater net only three minutes into the game. Moukas made other key contributions to the Westfield offense by blasting a shot past Bridgewater goalie Mark Dufresne on a penalty kick, and notching another goal in the second period. Dufresne did thwart an Allie Goncalves scoring bid early in the first half; but Goncalves persisted and drove the ball into the upper right hand corner of the net putting the game further out of reach.

An excellent solo effort by Mike Gauthier upped the Westfield lead and freshman John Vassallo rounded out the scoring in the first half.

Goals by Moukas and Goncalves made it 6-0 in Westfield's favor. Midway in the second half Tim Sicard turned a Chris Roukas corner kick into another Westfield goal as time was running out for Bridgewater. Moukas then tallied the final goal with an assist by Jamie Hansman.

While the offense controlled the game, goalies Ken Kelly and Kim Shea shared the net-minding chore with eight saves. Also playing well for the Westfield defense was fullback Tony Zabra and halfback Chris Lynch.

Westfield downed opponent AIC goalie Paul Constantinos. Westfield goalie Ken Kelly was forced to protect their slim lead when AIC strikes Bill Baker fired a well-placed shot at the Westfield net. Allie Goncalves capitalized on a Dave Tenero pass and put Westfield two up on AIC. Goncalves had several good shots on net but AIC goalie [illegible] Gordon's momentum and Westfield goalie Ken Kelly was forced to make several pressing saves.

Minutes later Westfield got its chance to even the score. Chris Moukas was hauled down inside the penalty area as he approached one on one to the Gordon goalie, resulting in a penalty shot. A low hard shot by Allie Goncalves eluded Gordon goalie Mike Holt and Westfield had tied the game. Holt who had fourteen saves for Gordon prevented a head ball by John Vassallo from putting Westfield ahead.

The smooth, fast-moving style of soccer witnessed in the first half, was not present in the second with the players becoming more aggressive. Westfield did not let up however and their efforts paid off. Allie Goncalves notched the second and what proved to be the winning goal for Westfield on a cross-field chip from Frank DaSilva. The game was not easily won, however as the Gordon offense kept the pressure on the Westfield net; but at the expiration of ninety minutes of soccer-the Westfield defense had prevailed.

Westfield easily defeated Worcester State College 8-0 upping their record to 4-0. Tim Sicard provided much of Westfield's scoring impetus by

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New sports award

Beginning this fall a brand new intramural team award will be set up to single out the overall top team for the men and the women at the end of the school year in May.

The award will be: THE WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP. It will be named the JAMES BANACOS CUP.

In order to be eligible the team must abide by these four guidelines:

1. Involve the team with wholesome sportsmanship competition throughout the school year in as many activities as possible.
2. Uphold and follow all Recreation Intramural Athletics - rules and regulations.
3. Keep the same team name throughout the school year in all activities.
4. Have at least half the team members play each team sport-(team members to represent the team in all individual activities).

The point system is as follows:

Participation - entry...25 points
1st place... + 14 points
2nd place... + 10 points
3rd place... + 7 points
4th place... + 4 points
5th place... + 2 points.

This sports team championship is the most prestigious award any team in Recreation-Intramural Athletics can achieve at Westfield State College. The championship is named after JAMES BANACOS of Watertown, Massachusetts, a member of the class of 1972. Jimmy was a very active participant in Intramural Athletics while he was here, as well as a member of the track and lacrosse teams. In the spring of 1970, Jimmy suffered a severe disabling injury in a lacrosse game, leaving him totally paralyzed. Westfield State has not forgotten and never will forget Jimmy!

Sweet revenge

It was sweet revenge for Mark Pananos and the Westfield nine. The southpaw hurler tossed a no-hitter against Ithica College, the same team that beat him in the NCAA playoffs. This time Ithaca was merely an obstacle to overcome in the University of Albany Invitational, held Sept. 24-26. When the tournament was over the Owls left New York as co-champions of the University Division.

Adelphi College proved to be a stepping stone for Westfield as the Owls pounded 18 hits off Adelphi pitching to walk over them 10-4. One of the many highlights was the 3 hit pitching of Bob Moniz.

Westfield then captured the college division crown with a convicing 8-0 victory over North Adams State. Fred Simm's 2 hit pitching paved the way and Bob Benn blasted a 2 run homer to help the cause.

The Owls literally came within inches of winning the whole tournament. Their opponent, Sienna University socred its only run on a very controversial call. Butch Tamagdelaine's pitch grazed a Sienna bat and was ruled a passed ball instead of a foul ball. Fred Simm knocked the line Westfield run and after twelve innings the game was called for darkness. Westfield and Sienna were declared co-champions.

Coach Magarian credits fine pitching and the sharp hitting of the entire team to its excellent performance.

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GOALMOUTH SCRAMBLE—Westfield State College defensemen Andy Hevey and Win Story try to push Worcester State College forwards Jim McCullough and Bill Gemme away from Owl goalie, Curt Everett after rebound from Gemme's shot during second period play. (Evening News - LeBlanc)

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HERE AT RINKSIDE—Skaters without hockey sticks and puck mingle with those so equipped at a rink on the campus of Westfield State College. The rink, cleared and flooded by the college, is open to the public. (Daily News Photo by Donn Robinson)

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Rink on campus

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There's something DIFFERENT to do on campus this semester! It's FREE, open day and night, not stuck indoors, and people from the community as well as from the college go. Hmm.

"I'm surprised that it is that popular," said Mr. Ken Magarian, Director of the Recreation-Intramural Department. "The first few days the place was loaded day and night!"

Magarian was talking about the large numbers of people skating on the rink smack in the middle of the campus (between the Student Union and Parenzo buildings).

Hours for skating are not restricted at all. It seems, after observation for a few days, that the optimum time for uncrowded skating is during the early part of the day until about 1:30 p.m.

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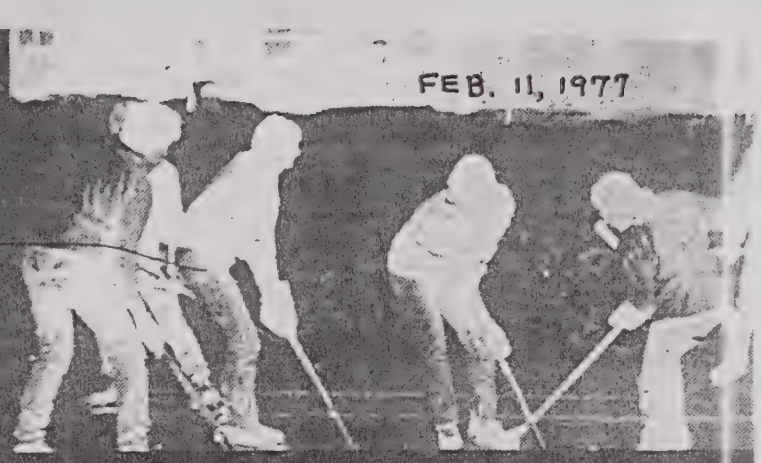

The new rink outside of Lammers Hall is getting p of use.

Ice skating rink

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One student who took advantage of the time, complained the ice was bumpy. But the skater, with the hood of his yellow sweatshirt pulled up on his head for warmth, seemed oblivious of the ice conditions as he enthusiastically skated around the rink.

The skating rink is open to all residents of the college as well as the city of Westfield. A large beacon light brightens the area for night skating. Skaters can sit on a small bench placed at the edge of the rink.

Supervison for the ice continues from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. each day, and on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The outdoor ice rink on campus came into being with the work of WSC Intramural students, officials, the Westfield Park-Recreation Department, and the Westfield Fire Department. The two city departments have lent tools and hoses to WSC so students could be able to dig out the base, flood the area with water from city hydrants, and maintain a smooth sheet of ice. The rink is flooded and smoothed about three to four times per week.

The rink would have cost WSC about $500, according to Magarian, but because the students have done the work with supplies lent by the city, it has cost virtually nothing to WSC.

The Intramural Office states that the rink will be maintained by the College Intramural students and the city plows and sweeper as long as the cold winter weather lasts.

Next year two rinks will be planned for the college, one set aside just for ice hockey all day and night.

O-KE-Dokes Take Co-Rec V-Ball

By Mark Woods

The O-KE-Dokes outenduranced AWT by scores of 15-10 and 15-10 to capture the co-rec volleyball title. Endurance was the key in the finals, because the champions had to play four previous matches that day, while AWT had two previous matches.

TNS and the Bushbangers ended the season tied with the new champs, so a pre-playoff series was necessary. TNS fell to the spirited titlests then the Bushbanger could not extinguish the flame, thus falling by the wasteside.

Led by Bob Capuzzilo (capt.), Steve MacLeod, Tom, Powlovich, Suzie Laito, and, Tina Rice, the champs were more fired and spirited as the evening went along. There was to be no stopping this team, that particular day. The rest of their roster, John Slattery, Butch Casey, Kathy Flynn, Jeannie Gauthier, and Launn Alfonse kept the whole team well rested and eager to play more.

Once into the playoffs, the O-KE-Dokes disposed of Good News then Ridgewood to qualifiy for the final. AWT had

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Freshmen making progress

By Mark Woods

The freshman from the baseball team are making names for themselves. They humiliated Western New England twice by convincing 10-0 and 7-2 scores.

Dave Bevan collected three hits and Jack Mosko added a pair in the first game to lead the attack. Casey Barry used his enormous variety of pitches to stymie the WNEC bats to only three hits. Gary Puccis pitched a total of four effective innings, with his fastball overpowering WNEC's bats. Steve Dougal and Butch LaMagdelaine were also effective for the Owls.

The freshman also defeated Berkshire, 5-1. Bob Verdolino was one of the stars, collecting two hits and playing flawless at his second base position.

Casey Barry chalked up another fall victory as he one hit Berkshire for five innings.

In another game against Berkshire, the freshman had a field day, tallying thirteen times for a 13-0 shutout. The game was a total team effort, with everyone contributing.

David Bevan was slightly ahead of the attack, chalking up three hits including a triple.

The first year men had a long ride home from North Adams after losing twice, 3-2 and 6-5. In both games WSC was leading but in each game an opposite field hit did them in.

Centerfielder Mike Ciampa had a good day at the plate and in the field. Mike went four for seven and made two sensational catches, robbing the opposition of potential extra bases.

Coach Magarian praises his freshman. "They are very impressive, quick learning and display excellent talent." Magarian added that the veterans respect them and make them feel at ease on the team. "The veterans were only too eager to teach them," Magarian stated.

Lets take a closer look at some of the freshman pushing the varsity for jobs. Mike Ciampa averaged .33 thus far, has excellent speed and has tremendous range in the outfield.

Second baseman Bob Verdolino turns double-plays easily and is a hard hitter at a .281 clip, which is not totally indictive of the way he has been hitting the ball. Bob is also the best bunter on the entire squad.

Scott McDougall is a catcher who the coach says will see much more action. Scott has a great arm and calls signals well.

Shawn McDounough is a big power-hitting first baseman and is learning. Shawn was elected freshman captain.

A quick outline of these freshman will only lead you to think and know what very good chances the WSC baseball team has this spring.

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Ice hockey extends registration

The Recreation-Intramural Office has extended the deadline for persons to sign up for Intramural Ice Hockey. The new deadline for registrations will be Monday, October 25th. A general meeting for all interested persons will take place in Wilson Aud. on Monday, November 1st at 8:00 P.M.

Initial plans call for a scaled down recreative ice hockey program needing no equipment, except skates and a hockey stick. Skates can be rented reasonably at the Ice Rink. In this division the small arena at the West Springfield Olympia will be used. Teams of 4 players with one goalie will play on the smaller ice. There will be no lifting of the puck and no checking; with the nets turned around so that all goals must come off the boards.

We also hope to have a program for the more skilled player, also using the small ice but with equipment and most of the regular rules implemented. If there are enough players and interest, we will use the regular large ice for games. Women have also signed and more are strongly urged to sign up for this fast growing and enjoyed sport. By the middle of November the Recreation-Intramural Office hopes to have the leagues playing on a regular basis during the weekday afternoons and early evenings. The leagues will play up to the Christmas vacation and begin again in January.

Locker room talk

By Larry Locker

When is a soccer player a hero? How about most of the time...at least that's how it is for Alli Goncalves. Alli has just had a super season so far and the WSC Owls know it...great wins against North Adams (5-4 ot) and Springfield College (3-0)...those locker room walls are pretty thick, but still it was overheard that our new trainer wasn't very happy here...or wasn't very happy here, and will be moving on soon. Was it the athletes, the coaches, the A.D. "the womens' trainer" (I didn't know we had one), or was it the simple job he had to fill full time, at a part-part-time salary? What is this about Fall Baseball...just because the World Series is on in October our boys have to play their little game too? Dum right...because their damn good, and constantly successful year after year! Hey...look at our Women Athletic teams this fall...Tennis, Volleyball and Field Hockey are flying high...and gaining respect where ever they go. By the way, have you seen some of those women athletes this year? They're nice!

Heard last weeks Cross Country jog down to Southern Conn. had perfect weather...good job up at Amherst men. You mean to tell me our Intramural Program does not have the best and most qualified officials? I can't believe that...don't we have the best and most talented players? I've seen those mens' games at the Turf, and my money couldn't buy better officials than Falvey or McGee.

Mr. Magarian, you owe them ore than $2 per game! Two nominees for the all new, "Arm and Shoulder Bruises Award" this week go to Bull Dog Bob Mayo and Sugar Bear Ken O'Conner. Ice Hockey

Ice Hockey Intramurals...I like that. Could of been the first time ever that Coach Kurty charged onto the field during that almost nightmare North Adams game...it apparently did no good...they scored a goal 2 seconds after the Coach left the field. It was a real difficult goal too...but our guys kicked them back up into the hills anyway...that's a boy Alli.

By the way, where is Dorothy Rickus, and why did she leave? It couldn't have been anything to do with our "successful and harmonious P.E. Dept.?

Twenty smackers to the first one who pronounces the Mens' Football Team (Professorlatics) correctly. Marion Tully says that the Recreation-Intramural Open Swim Meet will have Diving Competition. Could a varsity swim team be far off? Can't wait until the new (?) and improved (?) Athletic Council meets...Uncle Frank is bound to do just great things again this year. How lucky we are to have him...(but you know, he isn't all wrong...)

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Owls end season

By Mark Woods

The WSC baseball team ran into some very tough luck October first at UMASS. They ended up losing, a 7-5 but outhit and out played their opponent.

Mark Pananos was the hurler for the Owls and yielded just five hits, two of which were very controversial and cost him the game. The owls had nine hits.

The two controversial hits allowed UMASS to score four of their runs. One of the "hits" was a foul ball pass first base but was ruled fair. That so-called "hit" allowed a two runs while the other "hit" also allowed a pair.

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Every team has its ups and downs and you can't go down much further than WSC did against EConn.

Two Eastern Connecticut pitchers combined to no-hit the OWLS 14-0. WSC had a combination of their freshman and Varsity playing in what coach Magarian described as, "a terrible, terrible game. We did everything wrong. It was the worst played game in three years."

Heavy wind and cold bothered both teams during the first game, but WSC warmed up, straightened up and won the second game convincingly 7-3.

Dave Tabin had a perfect three for three in the game while Mark Pananos and Bob Monez shared the pitching duties.

Some of the heavy hitters thus far have been Bob Benn at .500 Dave Tabin hitting .458, Gary Beard batting .371, and Fred Simm, hitting the ball hard.

The fall season has been very successful thus far for the entire squad, and coach Magarian will have a tough time deciding upon lineups for this upcoming spring season.

V-Ball news

Volleyball is one of the most popular sports here at Westfield State College. A tremendous turnout of 56 mens' and womens' teams league there are 42 teams with 14 teams entered in the Mens' League. Supervising the volleyball season this year are Pam Burks, Don Longo and Jeanine Gauthier.

The leading teams so far this season in the Mens' League are AWT and the Bamf Boys in the Western Division. In the East Division, Famb, Duke and the K.A. Cans. are the leading contenders. Many of the afternoon games feature mens' teams which put on good competitive shows. Games are played around the schedule of the gym and frequently are still playing at 10:30 P.M.

The Women's League has many division leaders; some of them are: NVA East, the Networkers and the TNS Pers, the NVA West, Tse-Tse, ninks, Burnouts, and the Maurauders. In the AVA East the leaders are, The Roughies, No-names, Yes, We do it, and the Volleyball Vanmps. In the AVA West the leaders are the Miserable B's and the Bruisers.

Women's football started

Football isn't just for men, and the women who play it here at Westfield State will show anyone how 'its' done. Eight teams are entered this season in a single league. Each team will play seven games with the top four teams entered in the playoffs.

The women play the same game the men play with no rule and-or regulation change. All women play their games at the Astro-turf field as do the men. The student supervisors for football are Bob Benn, Barbara Powell, and Peter DiBona.

X-Country on the go

By Mark Woods

Coach Jerry Gravel's cross-country team got their season started off on the right note by winning their first meet of the year, October 2, at Amherst College. Competing teams were WSC, Bowdoin, Amherst, Eastern Conn., RIC, and Hartford.

Eastern Conn. runners Tim Quinn and Joe Noel finished the 4.8 miles over varied terrain one, two, respectively but were not good enough as their other team-mates did not cross the finish line again until twenty-fifth.

Scott Bissaillon finished fourth for WSC with a time of 25:11, twenty seconds behind Quinn. Jeff White crossed the line two seconds after fellow collegiate Bissaillon.

Jim McGilloway (WSC) and Randy Marcy (WSC) finished tenth and eleventh respectively, also two seconds apart with Jim completing the run at 25:21.

WSC's Jim Dillon, Mike Primmer, and Mark Asaro came in seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth to give WSC the victory.

Bob Grandfield, Tony Roccoforte, Dan Richard, and Tony Maccario also competed for WSC.

The Owls had seven runners all finish within the top nineteen, which gave the victors a six point win over nearest competetor, Bowdoin.

Coach Gravel was very pleased with his team's first showing, praising his runners.

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Season ends

By Mark Woods

The WSC baseball team finished the Springfield College Tourney with a 3-1 record, tied with Springfield for the title. Bad weather conditions postponed a playoff game to decide a winner of the title.

WSC played double-headers both on Sat. Oct. 16th and Sun., Oct. 17th. The Owls played Springfield in the opening contest Saturday, and went down to defeat 4-2. Owl pitcher Mark Pananos didn't have his usual good control and effectiveness as he couldn't last the first inning. Pananos walked four and allowed two hits and three runs in two-thirds of an inning pitched. Bob Moniz came in and pitched effectively the rest of the game.

Springfield hurler Bob Cox was in command, allowing just five hits, scattered throughout the Owl line-up. Neither team hit opposing pitching well with each team mustering but five hits each. The difference in the game was that the Owl pitchers passed seven Springfield batters and Cox walked only three.

In the afternoon, WSC traveled up to WNEC and came out victorious 3-1. The story in this game, once again, was the pitching. Casey Barry had the Bear batters guessing and scattered four hits, while chalking up seven strike-outs and passing just two. The Owls got their runs in the first two innings. In the first inning, Bob Benn walked with two outs. Bob stole second and came home on Fred Simm's hard hit to right. With one out in the second, Gary Beard tripled to left-center. Mike Ciampa promptly scored Beard with a single to center. Ciampa's speed got the Owls' their last run when he stole second, third and walked home on a bad throw.

Sunday WSC played AIC and won their second in a row, this time by a 4-3 score. Bob Mayo and Dave Clivio provided the punch with the bats while Butch Lamagdelane went the route on the mound for the Owls. Mayo had a perfect two for two including a sacrifice fly and two RBI's. Dave Clivio was also perfect at the plate with a three for three game. One RBI, one stolen base and displayed speed both at bat and in the field. Clivio beat two infield hits and made a good play to force an AIC runner out at second.

By a toss of a coin, WSC ended up the day by playing WNEC again. Although the team wanted to play SC again, they enjoyed a 10-1 victory over WNEC in a game which was no contest at all. Fred Simm, Gary Puccio and Mark Spencer were coach Magarian's choices to pitch.

Bob Verdolino and Bill Noone each had a pair of hits, in a game which the Owls had nine hits. Noone knocked in a pair and Spencer also had a pair of RBI's. Bob Mayo and Mark Spencer each contributed a triple to the attack while Mike Ciampa added a hit, RBI and stole home easily much to the surprise of the WNEC catcher. WSC did everything right.

Now the WSC baseball team has officially ended its fall season there are many things to look back on and many things to look forward to. Out of the two tournaments WSC was in, they won the Albany tournament and finished co-champs for the Springfield tourney.

Looking back on the fall season, certain players are easily remembered. Mark Pananos hurled a no-hitter against Ithica College during the Albany tournament. Pananos and the rest of the pitching staff deserve a lot of credit for their excellent performance throughout the season. The Owl bats have been far from silent. Bob Benn, Dave Tabin and Gary Beard all hit over .400. Fred Simms, Mike Ciampa, and Bob Verdolino have all hit in the high .300. Bob Mayo, Dave Bevan, and Dave Clivio have all come on strong to raise their averages above .300.

Basketball

Steve Sartori is W. S. C.'s new basketball coach. Sartori graduated from Springfield College with a major in Physical Education. He is now teaching Phys. Ed. in Westfield at South Middle School.

Coaching is not new to Sartori. He coached football at the University of Mexico and at S.T.C.C. He also coached basketball at Westfield High School.

When asked about this season's schedule, Coach Sartori replied, "We have 16 away games and 8 home games. The schedule will be tough."

Coach Sartori is optomistic, "This is my first year here, and I'm just trying to feel things out," he said.

Larry Locker's locker room talk

by Larry Locker

You've come a long way baby...and here's hoping you go a lot further...great job Coach Kugler and to your championship Field Hockey team, nothing but good luck in your tournament. Liz Kugler, first year coach of the varsity women's field hockey team did an outstanding job, but the hats are flying to each member also. Well Mr. Bogan, just because Matt Zunic isn't the hoop coach doesn't mean we do not need a full time trainer! WSC campus might get an outdoor ice skating rink, via the Recreation-Intramural Program...will keep you posted, it would be fun.

A tough luck casualty is anyone named Peter [illegible] Peter did have athletic teams have won the past years...by the way, where are they?

What's this, Frank Salvidio might not be on the Athletic Council? Oh horrors! We might as well kiss our athletic program good bye, oh, but wait, we do have a sincere, hard working Salvidio family member on the council. I knew Frank wouldn't let us down; half of Laurel and Hardy is better than none.

Could the womens basketball team be in trouble? Their star center is hurting with bad ligiments, come on Bev, recover quick so you and the rest of the ball club can clean up on the Womens' basketball teams this winter. A tip of the cap goes out to a very hard [illegible] Ted Longak was really something; John Bailey, a potential favorite, pulled up lame with cramps.

The Walkers Womens' football team does it all...are they heading for their second straight championship? TNS Pervs say no, with a little bit of HELP.

How about our varsity teams...Soccer, State Conf. champs, Womens' Field Hockey, State Conf., champs, Womens' Tennis, State Conf. champs, and our Mens' tennis did well finishing in the money (third place). Good job people...and to your coaches.

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Owls clinch conference

By Beth Caruso

The Owl soccer team defeated arch rival North Adams State in their closest game of the season, by a score of 5-4. Westfield opened the scoring with 13 minutes gone in the half.

Allie Goncalves blasted an unnassisted shot past Ken Johnson of North Adams. The Owl booters out-played the N. A. Mohawks in the first half, topping them in shots 13-2.

At the midway mark of the half, Allie Goncalves scored again for Westfield, putting them up by two goals. Westfield goalie turned back a blazing shot by Jan Kapstad minutes later, thwarting the only real scoring bid by North Adams in the half. Tom Gentile narrowed the Westfield lead by putting North Adams on the score board with 12 minutes left in the first half. Westfield rebounded right back with Mike Gauthier setting up John Vassallo for the third Westfield goal.

North Adams gained momentum in the second half and Westfield goalie Ken Kelly was forced to make several demanding saves. Chris Moukas got the Westfield offense rolling once more by dribbling a Dennis Duarte pass behind the Mohawk goalie. Kim Shea then replaced Kelly in the net for Westfield. North Adams kept continual pressure on the Westfielc net and their efforts finally paid off as Tom Gentile got his second goal of the night.

A disputed handball in the penalty area by a Westfield defender gave North Adams their third scoring opportunity of the night. Jan Kapstad took advantage of the penalty kick and cut the Westfield lead to one goal. The Mohawks, now fired-up, plagued the Owls until John Lynch scored the tying goal with 9 minutes left in the game.

With 500 anxious fans on hand, the teams went into 2 ten minute overtimes. The first

Tony Zabra, and Dave Williamson were the key force in obtaining the shut-out for Westfield.

Westfield walloped Mass Maritime 9-1. The booters bombarded the Maritime net with shots and were leading by five goals at the end of the first half. Scoring the first goal for the Owls was Allie Goncalves. From that point on Westfield scored about every five minutes. John Amaral headed an Allie Goncalves corner kick past Maritime goalie Tom Collins. Mike Gauthier then made it 3-0 in Westfield's favor. Tom Convery and Chris Moukas rounded out the Westfield scoring in the first half.

Don O'Gard spoiled the Westfield shut-out by scoring early in the second half. Westfield came right back with John Vassallo scoring 2 goals within one minute. Frank DaSivla made it 8-1 for Westfield and Tim Sicard finished off the scoring for Westfield. Kim Shea had an excellent day in the nets for the Owls while Jamie Hansman played well, breaking up several Maritime scoring bids.

Westfield had a big day at Springfield College, defeating them 3-0. They dominated the game from the start and their efforts were well rewarded. The Owls' leading scorer, Allie Goncalves notched what proved to be the winning goal early in the game. Freshman, goalie Ken Kelly who played extremely well, made several key saves preventing Springfield from scoring. Chris Moukas pounded home the second Owl goal before the half was ended.

Second half action saw Springfield have a few close shots on the Westfield net, but the Owl defense pulled through. Chris Lynch made clutch plays which helped preserve the Westfield shut-out. Allie Goncalves made the final score

Andrulis came up with the necessary saves to hold onto a 1-0 victory for Eastern Conn.

Westfield clinched the Mass. State Conference Title by defeating Salem State 4-0. Dennis Duarte sent a shot past Salem goalie Kurpiel Vangell. When Ken Kelly sidelined with broken fingers, Kim Shea was forced to face the netminding chores alone, and he did so very well. Shea came up with important saves when needed and helped Westfield capture the conference title. Mike Gauthier headed an Allie Goncalves pass into the Salem net with about 15 minutes left in the half. Minutes later, the same 2 combined for another Westfield goal. Gauthier was a key figure in firing the Owl offense.

Second half action was pretty much the same with Westfield holding off any Salem scoring attempts. John Amaral scoring the final goal. Thus, the Owls ended their Mass. State Conference season with an unblemished 7-0 record.

Westfield came out on top of another important game against Western New England. After being defeated by WNEC in pre-season play, the Westfield team realized that getting on the scoreboard as quickly as possible was necessary and Allie Goncalves did just that. Only 2 minutes into the game, Allie took advantage of a break away and drilled home a Chris Moukas pass. Chris Moukas scored the second goal 10 minutes later. Westfield led 3-0 at the half on a goal by John Vassallo. Westfield's dominations was evident in the first half and it was their well-executed passing and dribbling which frustrated the WNEC team.

Special Notice

Concerning the James Banacos Cup (WSC Intramural Championship) no co-recreation or individual activities will be included in the point system of this award. Also, the Ice Hockey program will not be included in the Banacos Cup Award.

Westfield defeated [illegible] Butler was a problem for the

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Sports in brief

Although once postponed due to bad weather, the WSC Intramural Cross Country Open was held last week with a field of 18 men and 4 women. Ten men competed in the off day weather and only one woman entered the womens' division. Bev Parson took those honors, with a time of 9:00 for the 1.5 miles she ran. Bev was dissapointed the other women failed to show up and compete.

In the mens' race Ted Longak came in first place with a good time of 11:57 for the 2.5 miles the men ran. Bruce LaBont ran a very strong second, staying with Longak over the entire 2.5 miles, but he was not able to overtake the long striding Ted at the finish. Bruce finished with a 12:20 2.5 run. Russ Bosback was also matching the leaders stride for stride and came in third out of the field with a time of 12:42. Dennis Call strongly challanged Russ Bosback for that third spot, but had to settle for fourth place with a time of 12:24. Right on the heels of Dennis Call was Dennis Rogers finishing just one second behind (13:25). Others finishing the race and showing respectable times were Gary Wemett, Joe Duffy and John Bailey.

The Walkers Womens Football team is being seriously challenged this season by both the TNS Pers and Help. All three teams will be entered in the playoffs, but that final fourth playoff spot is still in question. The Lippos Ladies and the Bush Bangers are fighting it out for the final spot in the playoffs. The schedule for the Womens' Playoffs will begin on Monday, November 1st with team 1 slated against team 4 beginning at 7:30 P.M. Team 2 will play team 3 on Tuesday, November 2nd. The championship game will take place as part of the WSC Football Championship Doubleheader on Monday November 8th. The womens' Championship game will be played at 6:30 P.M. on that Monday, with the men playing at 5:30 P.M.

More than 45 students, many of them women, have registered in the Recreation-Intramural Office to play Intramural Ice Hockey at the West Springfield Olympia. A general meeting was held this past Monday where final recommendation and plan were set up to run the league. Games are tentatively set to begin the week of November 8th and-or the 15th. All games are played in the late afternoon or evening. The league will continue up until the Christmas break, and begin again the first week of February in the school years' second semester.

There will be a separate womens division in the Westfield State College Intramural Ice Hockey League. They, as well as the men, will play twice a week at the West Springfield Ice facility.

Upcoming events

Co-Recreation Volleyball...leagues begin: Monday, November 8th (Gym), (nights),

by Larry Locker

Nice to see Coach Kurty getting some recognition for a change. It's too bad it had to come from such a nothing paper as the Boston Globe? Almost a full page for the Owls' most successful coach from one of New Englands' leading newspapers. Nice job coach...Looks like a small basketball squad....good things come in small packages. Ralph Smith a starting guard?

Where is Jeff E[illegible]rman? No he isn't gone, he will be on the court come second term. Jeff was red shirted his first year. A little story on our gentle giant: under Matt Zunic, it was decided that Jeff would be red shirted his first year here at WSC. Big Jeff has recently got over his bad leg situation (he still has a pin in it) but wasn't ready to go all out. Well, that year Jeff attended every practice, game, meeting...everything...knowing he wasn't going to play...but he was learning.

It came time for the NCAA Invitational in Boston..(Tufts) and the mighty Owls found themselves getting the ???? kicked out of them at halftime. Big Jeff came up to Coach Zunic and offered to play if it might help the Owls' chances. Yes, Jeff was going to chuck out an entire season for WSC just to help the team in the second half. But those who know Jeff aren't surprised. I like to think Jeff is perfect example of athelitics here at State.

Our successful Owls concluded thier regular season in a low note...hell, they only lost their second game..not bad out of 15. A nice 13-2 mark will be carried with them as they approach the NCAA Tour again.....which they should be in. Could be a tournament game played here...

We not only tip our hats, but even go out and have them cleaned....to Mr. F. Paul Bogan, Director of Athletics.

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Coach says, "Best season"

William Kocsefk

"It's going to be the best season ever," said Mike Holubowich, coach of the Westfield State College hockey team.

Coach Holubowich said he is very pleased with the talent of the WSC skaters. He said that the players are improving and learning to work as a team.

The team practices each weekday morning from 7 to 9 at the Springfield Olympia.

Defense has been the main concern at the practices. "We have to make some defensive improvements in order to win," Coach Holubowich emphasized.

"I feel we do have and need a good balance this year." There are seven Freshmen, eight Sophomores, five Juniors and one senior on the squad.

Bob Austin, a junior, is looking very good in the goal; also sophomore Curt Everett and freshman Al Spicer are talented in the nets.

"We were looking for size on defense and we got it," said Coach Holubowich. Owl defensemen Billy Spears and Danny Walker of Weymouth, Dave Kenney from Wakefield and Dave Folan head up an aggressive defense with plenty of size and toughness. Another pleasant surprise has been the great defensive play of Win Story of Gloucester. "Hitting, size, and aggressiveness will be the key," Holubowich points out.

Holubowich was, however, displeased with the team's first scrimmage against the Springfield Olympics. "We won 3 to 2 but we looked terrible; we didn't play as a team; we were undisciplined."

Settling down, the icemen did manage to make a better showing in their 2 to 1 victory over Assumption. WSC had over 30 shots on goal as opposed to Assumption's seven. The players worked as a team and started to bring it all together, Holubowich said.

In another scrimmage, the Owls outplayed a small but quick Mass-Conn. Twins team, and beat them 4 to 0. Holubowich was delighted with the team's performance. "We played well, we hit, we played the body, we played a good, physical game with minimal penalties."

The team's first "real" test however, came on Nov. 13 at Williston in Easthampton against the University of New Haven. Westfield just missed in that one, losing by a slim margin of 3 to 2. The game was lost because of a mental mistake. WSC lost the face-off in their own zone, the puck came out front and New Haven player drilled it home. "That man should have been picked up by our defense," said Holubowich regretfully. "We outplayed them, outshot them and skated right with them. We failed only to outscore them."

Key performances in that scrimmage were turned in by Curt Everett who played a fine game and Bob Austin who was excellent in the net.

Other fine showings in the scrimmages were by captains, Jim Donahue, Kevin Falvey, Dave Sheehan and Jim Collins, who have been performing well and providing team leadership and spirit.

The offensive attack is strengthened by some men whom coach Holubowich recruited. "I can now go out and get players who will improve the team instead of waiting for talent to come to WSC."

Jim Collins from Reading, Paul Liberty a transfer student from STCC, and Paul Bracken from Braintree blend is nicely with last year's players and give the Owls a good offensive attack.

"We do have a fine blend of offense and defense," said Holubowich. "However we do lack in on decisive aspect, that is attendance at games."

The team plays a challenging 23 game schedule. Included are five division II games and 13 in division III.

"We need support; the team always plays better when someone is cheering them on," exclaimed the coach.

Attendance would surely be a plus for the Owls. In the past, attendance has been down and players felt discouraged that they couldn't draw enough support.

The main reason cited for the lack of attendance is transportation. People can't get to the games. Coach Holubowich is trying to arrange for bus transportation to and from the games. There would be a fee of 50 cents. "We're trying to get two buses to go to each game," he said, "I must make a commitment, that is, if we fill the buses fine, but if we don't then money would be lost in the deal with the bus company."

The team is not fully funded and must raise money on its own in order to pay for certain expenses. Last year, the hockey team sold season tickets. This year, with the help of friends, the team has come up with a 24 page hockey program. The program is free and intended to show the town's support of the team. "We're running a class organization," says Holubowich.

All the effort is designed to get a larger turnout of fans for the games. "I'm convinced that if people come out and see us play, they will like us," exclaims Coach Holubowich.

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No new field in sight for the baseball te

The Westfield State College baseball team will continue to play its home games in the same field it has used for the past 24 years. According to Matt Godek who is in charge of Planning and Development, the field has been in the same shape since 1953, when the school moved to its present location. He does not foresee any improvements.

The baseball diamond comes under the category of "Grounds and Winter Supplies" in the yearly budget, which was alloted $1500 for the 1976-77 school year. The entire budget would not nearly come close to the amount needed to fix the field properly. As a result, Godek is reluctant to put any money into it. He would rather have the team play in the area immediately behind the Astroturf, which was put aside specifically for the construction of a baseball field.

That, however, is a story in itself. To sum it up quickly, W.S.C. was awarded $200,000 by the state approximately nine years ago for the development of an athletic complex. This project was listed as the third highest priority in the state. Complications arose however, and all that was finished was the Astroturf.

Meanwhile, the team has had to take it upon themselves to better the field. Recently they put dirt down to fill in the holes in the infield; the only drawback is that first they had to remove the rocks from the dirt. Godek praises the "commendable attitude" taken by the team in this matter.

Members of the baseball team have to work on the field. The field is always in bad shape. Photos by Pa

AWT takes Famb

By Mark Woods

A.W.T. anihilated Famb in two straight 15-1 and 11-6 to capture the men's volley ball championship. A.W.T. went undefeated throughout their season and the playoffs. It was a total team effort as A.W.T. gained fourteen points towards the Banacos Cup for the WSC intramural championship. A.W.T. is now only four points behind T.N.S. for the Cup.

Jim "Wobbi" Dipaulo was voted MVP of the team by his fellow comrades. Jim combined both skills of setting up the play and also spiking the ball for quite a few points. The first game was no contest. with, Famb was playing with only five players throughout the evening. A.W.T.'s Peter DiBona, Byron Rizos, and Dave Tabin did most of the setting up for the big men. Dan London, Jim Quisnel, and Ed Quigley were the men up front to spike the ball and get the points.

Famb was overanxious for the first game as they were going over the serving line and running into the net, thus turning the ball over. The second game, however, they calmed down and didn't commit as many mistakes. Mike Gauthier served four straight aces for A.W.T. in the final moments to insure victory as the time ran out in the game and the season for Famb.

Up Coming

Racketball Tournament - Nov. and Dec.
Trimnastics Course - Nov. and Dec.
Sports Clinics - Nov. and Dec.
Basketball - Dec.
Wrestling Tournament - Nov. and Dec.
Badminton Tournament - Dec.

Dec. Wrestling

Wrestling is coming back to the WSC campus through the Recreation-Intramural Department and interested students. A full Wrestling Tournament is being planned for the first week in December. Interested persons are asked to register in the Recreation-Intramural Office before Thursday, November, 18th. Five weight classes have been set:

1. Heavy wgt. (180 +)
2. 170
3. 150
4. 135
5. light wgt. (up to 120)

Assisting the Intramural

V-Ball attracts Record numbers

A record number of 34 co-rec volleyball teams have been entered this year in the league which opened this past Monday. Volleyball, one of the the most popular sports here at Westfield State, constantly grows with participants and interest year after year. Last year there were 20 teams entered in the league. Despite playing at all hours of the night, the students enjoy the

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Sports briefs

Recreation-Intramural athletics seem to be the big item on campus. Interest and participants are rapidly growing. More and more programs are being added to the already expanded program. There are 2,700 people participating in recreation-intramural teams. This is a 25 per cent increase over last year's figures.

Kenneth Magarian, director of the recreation-intramural program, is always busy keeping up with the various rosters and different on-going and up-coming sports. Magarian is pleased with the growing interest because it keeps him and his working students busy and involved.

The students, by being involved are having more fun, though they are often taking it a little too serious. Being involved gets their minds temporarily away from school work. The increase of students create more of a challenge and more competitive. They are making the recreation program a better one. Numerous amounts of teams have been added, causing for a bigger demand in officials. More teams are making the leagues larger so no team can simply run away from the rest to capture a playoff position

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WPI outlasts Owls

By Beth Caruso

Westfield lost to Worcester Poly Tech in a 3 hour game finally decided by penalty shots.

WPI scored early in the first half to take the lead over favored Westfield, on the first of two goals by John Paulas. Ken Kelly coming off the bench after an injury, played a superb game in the nets for Westfield. The defensive efforts by Manny Ducruz and Freddie Marks were well needed in the first half, as WPI kept Kelly and the Westfield defense on their toes.

Central in firing the Westfield offense was Chris Lynch. Lynch, who also had an excellent defensive game for the Owls, continually kept the ball contained within WPI's half of the field. Westfield tied the game with ten minutes left in the half on a driving shot by Chris Moukas, with Tim Sicard assisting. WPI continued to dominate the game and Paulas scored his second goal of the night, forcing the Owls to play catch-up soccer once more.

WPI put the game seemingly further out of reach minutes into the second half when a shot by Ken Superson evaded Westfield goalie Ken Kelly. That seemed to be the end for Westfield. The front line of Mike Gauthier, Allie Goncalves, Chris Moukas, and Chris Roukas then began a rally for the Owls. Goalie Bob Grotchmal, who was the crucial player in WPI's victory, was forced to defend his net several times. Dennis Duarte added to the Westfield momentum by scoring their second goal and bring them within one of WPI. From that one point, the statistican would show that it was Westfield's game.

John Vassallo and Frank DaSilva each had several good shots, but each time Grotchmal came through for WPI. Mike Gauthier, who played well for Westfield put a Chris Moukas corner kick into the net to tie the game. Allie Goncalves had a direct kick at the WPI net, but Grotchmal made an amazing save, sending the game into overtime.

With four overtimes expired, the game was to be decided by penalty shots; with the tremendous saves that Grotchmal had made, things looked gloomy for Westfield. Each team was allowed five shots. Grotchmal saved the first two Westfield shots, but was caught moving off the goal line before the ball was kicked and the Owls were awarded another kick. Westfield then got two in a row by Frank DaSilva and Chris Moukas. It was now tied at two apiece. Ken Superson notched the third and winning shot for WPI, thus ending the season for the Westfield soccer team.

Concerned Club formed

On Thursday, December 2nd, a group of students involved with varsity sports and intramural athletics met in Wilson Aduitorium. It was their intention to form a concerned group to voice conditions and policies transpiring in and with athletics here at Westfield State. Approximately 25 students participated in the meeting and organized the Westfield State College Athletic Club. The club is open to "all students concerned with athletics here at WSC".

At that first meeting, nominations were accepted, and a board of three officers were elected to head the club. They are; Robert Granfield, Laurie Drake and Kevin Falvey. Also chosen as a representative to serve on the Athletic Council Policy Board was Robert Granfield.

The club meets regularly.

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Coach speaks

By Richard Zwicker

Steve Sartori, basketball coach of the Westfield State basketball team, is emphasizing togetherness and learning in his rookie season.

Sartori said that while a major objective was, of course, to win, he hoped that his players would experience self-improvement as players and as human beings.

"Sacrifice is a key word. It's possible to experience the joy that you've done as much as you possibly can, and yet feel remorse if you lose." He also pointed out that if the team won but the players didn't "put fourth the effort needed for 100 per cent expenditure for the cause of the team," then the victory wasn't that rewarding.

The team must truly be a team, not a group of individuals. "There is one ball, and five guys who must share it."

John Slattery, one of the four returning players from last year's squad, described Sartori's approach to coaching as more humanistic than the methods of last year's coach, Matt Zunic.

While Slattery was quick to point out that Zunic knew basketball "inside-out", Sartori is better at handling personalities and can relate to the players easier. The drills are basically the same as last year, but Sartori talks to the players more, whether trying to mentally psych them for a game or to loosen the atmosphere with a few jokes.

In many of last year's games if things didn't go according to plan, Zunic would get angry and take out his anger on the players and the referees. Sartori tells his players what they're doing wrong.

Slattery finished by saying that the players don't mind "putting out" for a coach they like. The atmosphere is 100 per cent better and it should show in the team's performance.

Sartori said that this would be a rebuilding year as of the four returning players, only two have had extensive playing time.

The team practices every day, including Saturday and Sunday, when there are sometimes double sessions.

Sartori graduated from West Springfield High School in 1957, and received his B.S. degree in physical education at Springfield College in 1961. He has since achieved his masters degree in education. Sartori comes to Westfield State after compiling a 138-40 record as coach of the Westfield South Middle School basketball team.

Brilliant play by WSC goalie

By William Kocrocik

Sparked by the brilliant play of Curt Everett, the Owls of Coach Mike Holubowich won their season hockey opener by defeating Fairfield University, 7-3.

With a good home crowd on hand, the Owls came out on the ice fired up and ready to go. Being perhaps a little too anxious, they ended up with five penalties midway through the first period.

The penalties put a lot of pressure on Everett, the Westfield State College goalie. He was bombarded by the opponent's shots. Coming up with save after save, Everett managed to stall Fairfield's attack allowing not one shot to trigger the red light. He made a total of 17 saves in the first period.

Westfield, skating short-handed, amazingly managed to build up a 3-0 lead. The first line, consisting of Ray Lions, Jim Collins and Jim Donaghue, takes thecredit for the Owls'lead. A combination of fine stick handling and passing paid off, putting the Owls on the board with a comfortable lead going into the second period.

After the first period, Coach Holubowich had a chat with his men. He stressed the importance of staying away from penalties. "We must play a more mature brand of hockey, we can't allow our emotions to control our performance, we can't be looking for revenge."

The chat evidently worked as reflected by the perfect performance the Owls displayed in the second period. The team did stay out of penalties; they were composed, crisp and mature. They outskated and outshot a faltering Fairfield team.

Three more shots found the mark and Westfield jumped out to a commanding 6-0 lead at the end of period two. The offensivew line of Paul Liberty; Mike Davis, who had an exceptionsal game at left wing; and, Paul Bracken were responsible for these three tallies, with Lions scoring the seventh goal.

Entering the final period, the Owls resorted to the type of hockey that predominated in period one. Again there were the five penalties which in turn put the pressure on Curt Everett. Everett now had 50 savees, an incredible feat by anyone's standards. Holobowich said, "Curt was the difference in the hockey game, he was the number one star."

This slacking off at the end did allow Fairfield to score three goals. This, along with the defensive play and the penalties, is what disappointed the coach. "Our defense was lacking in performance."

On the whole, however, Holubowich was very pleased. "Sure it's nice winning that first one, but we still need to improved our game."

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Tangle in front of the Westfield goal.

Owls 'Show' in Spfld.

The Owls basketball team made a respective showing in the Mayor's Tournament, held Dec. 3 & 4 at the Butova Gym. Last year's champions, Westfield had to settle for third place this time around as Springfield College beat them 60-49, in the first round of action. The Owls came back the next night and defeated Western New England College 78-77, in a thriller. Springfield went on to win the tournament 43-42 over AIC.

Westfield, leading WNEC through most of the game, had a 13 point lead whittled down to one with 14 seconds left to play. WNEC took two shots, missed both and the Owls secured their victory and third place. The victory also marked Steve Sartori's first win as the Owls basketball coach. "For me, this is like the whole world," he said after the game.

In the Springfield game, Westfield led through most the the first half until the Chiefs outscored them 12-2 in the last 8 minutes to gain a 27-23 edge at intermission.

The Owls kept the game close right up to the last 4 minutes, when Springfield scored two straight baskets and virtually put the game out of reach with a 12 point lead.

The Benacos Cup

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AIC topples scrappy Owls

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SPRINGFIELD—American International College downed Westfield State College, 69—58, in Division III basketball last night in Springfield.

The score was 36—33 at the half, with Westfield only three points behind the Yellow Jackets. At the beginning of the second half, AIC pulled away with 10 straight points.

This is a tough season so far for the new Owl's coach, Steve Sartori, as the Owls dropped to 3—8. The Owls recieved four technical fouls during the game.

The Owls' next game will be against Bridgewater State College at home at 7:30 Saturday night.

WESTFIELD—Deveau 19, Littleton 6, Murphy 15, Farrell 10, Blackwell 6, Flieger 2. 22—14—58

AIC—Novac 8, Stephens 4, Failon 15, Murphy 18, Iolino 12, Jennings 8, Rochfert 3. 28—12—69.

Final Football Standiings

Men

National Conference

1. Bad Company	10	1
2. Professorlactics	9	2
3. TNS Verts	7	2
4. Third World	4	5
5. Seamen	4	5
6. Free Agents	3	6
7. Music Inc.	3	6

American Conference

1. Tang	8	2
2. Holes	7	3
3. Guttercats	5	4
4. Kings	3	6
5. Space Cadets	1	8
6. Berkshire Rats	1	8
7. K.A. Kans	1	8

....1976 League Champions...National Conf. champions

American Conf. Champions

Women

1. Walkers	9	0	5. Bush Bangers	2	4	1
2. TNS Pers	7	2	6. Marauders	2	4	1
3. HELP	5	3	7. Bionic B's	0	7	
4. Lippos Ladies	4	4	8. Oobers	0	7	

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Athletic fee needed at WSC

The athletic fee at Westfield State College is the second highest in the system. Paul Bogan, athletic director is asking for a fee increase of $15 for next year.

Should we pay it?

If we want our sports programs to continue as they are now we will have to pay the increase. The main reason for the fee increase is salary increases for personal. These stem from the new ccontract and the equal rights amendment granting woman coaches and referees equal salaries to the men.

There is one solution to the problem. The college should pick up the tab for personal as is done at most other colleges. Our administration has not looked favorably on the idea. Instead they prefer to hire additional staff people there is no need for.

They should pay for personal that serve the students instead of personal that pour coffee and answer phones.

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Cutbacks hurt athletics

By Paul LeBlanc
Evening News Writer

WESTFIELD—Cutbacks in the sports program at Westfield State College are likely unless the athletic fee is raised.

"Because of escalating costs for everything and an increase in the salaries of personnel, if the fee is not raised there will have to be cutbacks in our programs." director of athletics Paul Bogan said.

Students currently pay $35 per year and Bogan is urging a $15 increase.

The Athletic Council will make a recomendation on the increase to college president Dr. Robert L. Randolph sometime this semester. He will then forward it to the State College Board of Trustees with his recomendation. The request will be studied by two committees before a final decision is made.

The college's Student Senate voted to deny support to the measure at its meeting Tuesday, citing a belief that students should not bear the burden of personnel costs. The college currently pays a portion of the athletic personnel salaries but Randolph has told Bogan the college will not contribute any funds toward those salaries next year.

"The athletic program has been trimmed down to the barest minimum," Bogan said. It is thinner than it can go. If the fee is not increased the scope of the programs will have to be cut down."

Collection of the fee currently amounts to $90,000 per year. One third of that money is used for salaries.

"Because of the equal rights amendment (Title 9) we are faced with an increase in salaries for women officials and coaches," Bogan said.

The college now has 18 teams competing in intercollegiate sports. It also has an intramural program in which over 70 per cent of the students participate.

"In our intercollegiate sports we have the second highest number of participants in the state college system. Our intramural program is without a doubt the number one program in the state. Participation has gone from 714 students in 1974 to 2,157 students for the first half of this academic year," Bogan said.

"As it is now, we have no junior varsity teams, no banquets, awards, jackets or trophies. More importantly, we do not have a doctor or certified trainer. We have to have one or there will be a situation which we don't want to be faced with. In the hockey game two weeks ago one of our players had to get 27 stitches in the mouth. He started aspirating on the blood," Bogan said.

WSC golfers finish season in 2nd place

By Mark Morris
Evening News Writer

10/18/77

WESTFIELD — The Westfield State College golf team drove to an impressive 5-1 record this Fall.

WSC coach Bill Dobiecki was pleased with his team's performance. The only problem he cited was the conflict of matches being scheduled at the same time that some of his players were still in class.

Despite that, the Owls finished second in the Massachusetts State College tournament losing only to Salem State and defeating Bridgewater, North Adams and Worcester State.

The Owls also took two matches from Western New England College.

In an impressive field at the Toski Open, Westfield State finished 16th in a field of 33.

The chief players on the WSC team were seniors Paul MacIntosh, Pat Foley, Waly Ballard, and sophomores Jim Galicka, Don Kennefick, Dan Brown and Paul Legendre.

Dobiecki feels the four sophmores may provide a strong nucleus for next season. He contends that with the returning players and some promising freshmen the Owls have a solid opportunity to challenge Salem State for the top spot next spring.

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Locker talk

By Larry Locker

It could have been one of the best days ever for an Intramural team here at Westfield State College... The O-Ke Dokes Co-Rec Volleyball team... almost out of the playoffs... just tied for the final slot on the final day of the season and force a pre-playoff series. The O-Ke Dokes not only won two straight matches to put them into the playoffs, but won three more to win the championship. Five, count them, match wins in a single day... Congratulations!

K.A.Cans were upset by AWT in the mens' Soccer finals... looks like AWT will be a strong contender for the Banaos Cup.

Hey...hou about our Ice Hockey team.. played such a great game against Salem State... I warned you about them... I say they are on their way...

Coach Kurty..I not only love you and the Soccer team, but I have and will always think the Boston Globe is number one.. For those who can't read me.

The sound coming out of the P.E. majors' lockers these days are squeaking badly... just how is their system of "Advanced standing" handled by their capable staff? If any of the P.E. majors knew exactly what went on and how people are chosen, and why.. there may be a coup. There are too many things wrong in that Dept. and too many non-working experts. Dr. V, you are a more capable person than what your staff drops you to be. They would have appreciated you more at Salem, right?

The Athletic Council looks interesting this year. Yes, I think Dr. Duval will do a fair job, but his term should boe two years and not one!

How about using all the funds of last years' assistant Director (for travel and professional use only) for something more usefull. My,my, all of a sudden, when the good trips are over, someone just doesn't think she would be able to handle it. She should be axed and by forced to return all the money she knew in advance she was wasting.

Mr. Magarian, when will you insist on putting lights on the road into the Turf?

Maybe that new WSC Athletic Club will be able to generate something around here. Year after year goes by, and still no new gym or field house. It is pathetic. I dare anyone to prove to me someone is actually working on any type of proposal. Everything stopped when the new complex was flushed from Boston... but to the surprise of those who can do something, that school does go on year after year. That new complex was red lined out four years ago... now come on!

Oh well, I suppose I must be wrong on all the items I come up with. Nothing seems to happen... all my informers and listening posts must be incorrect. It seems everything here with athletics is just fine and dandy. "All the negatives are wrong."... All the personnel are of top integrity.

With that it must be Christmas and maybe a new year will see everyone working for the school and not against it. I hope so... have a safe vacation... see you in January.

Soccer

By Mark Woods

Mike Walker's two goals, and some excellent goaltending by captain Peter "Scooter" DiBona enabled AWT to take the men's soccer title by downing a very tough K-A-Kans team 2-1.

The game was played under atrocious weather and field conditions. It was snowing heavily and the temperature was below freezing. The teams played two twenty minute halves with running time. In the first half, the Kans put the pressure on early and often. Scooter was called upon to make some remarkable saves. Kans controlled the play in the first half outshooting AWT 6-3. Midway through the half, a Kans player was guilty of a hand ball near the goal, resulting in a direct free kick taken by Walker. The Kans formed a line across the goal mouth, but Walker blasted the ball through the wall and passed the valiant effort made by goalie Dan Turner. The lead was short-lived as Paul Castongoay drilled a shot past Scooter and into the far corner to tie the game at 1-1.

The Kans and AWT came out in the second half very strong. Both teams posed a very strong offense and an equally strong defense. Kans once again outshot AWT, this time by a 6-4 margin. But it was AWT who scored the deciding goal in the second half for the victory. Jim Quesnel, John Lynch, Tom Frodemm, and Mike Walker pressured Turner while Mark Baker, Dominico Albano, and Paul Castongoay provided the threats for the Kans. With close to nine minutes elapsed, AWT capitalized on a two-on-one break. Tuner blocked the initial shot, but in trying to cover it up, Walker made a picture-perfect head ball goal.

Refs Warn Fans

(CPS)-Big Ten officials, concerned about possible outbreaks of fan violence at school athletic events, have drawn up plans to deal with such an emergency.

"We have a plan--a written plan that all officials, coaches, and athletic [illegible]

Calhoun agrees. "Everytime I go on that field I know that some nut with an ice pick could end my career or my life," says Calhoun. "There are people who would love to tear down every institution in the country. Since they can't tear down the

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Larry Locker

By Larry Locker

Hello and welcome back...lets see, what has happened since you all left? Well, the hockey team got off to a pretty good start, but all the shots in the world will not insure victory, as our dear hearts found out.

We were sad to learn that one of the Owl Basketball co-captains pulled a Dave Cowens, but in this one, Davey isn't coming back. It really is too bad; he is a good kid and ball player..it was hoped he would fight back and be the tall jump shooter he once was. There are some new faces on that squad, and some other old ones seem to be gone. It almosts reminds you of the Zunic years. Coach Satori says he's going to write a book..."Welcome to college coaching" How about my boy Alie Goncalves? ALL-AMERICAN! Like wow...and in soccer they pick the All-American together..(university and college division together). We're proud of you Alie. How about that...in less than one year..Westfield State produced two genuine All-Americans...Alie in soccer and of course Dave Tabin in baseball...much success to both of them in the future. The new men's voleyball coach, Claud Morin, was initiated into the WSC coaching ranks rather traditionally...he was given a club, then he went out and got them into a good league, but then was denied by the Athletic Dept. any time whatsoever to practice during the intersession. He was given no money or means to ready the squad which will have its' first match one week after school begins. Who in hell ever heard of practicing for a week to prepare for a full season? Come on now whats' going on? On top of that...just how much did our winter athletic teams get out of being on campus during the intersession? Informed sources say that the mens' basketball team practiced once a day for two hours..if that, and the womens team did the same, if more than five players showed up...the lovely gymnastic team had more girls at their meet with Northeastern then they have ever had at any practice in three years! The track team doesn't escape this either...some of them felt it was time for a vacation and took one..even though it was in the middle of winter track..and believe me their record and outings show it. I wouldn't want to tell you what the cost was to us keep everyone here (and I mean us) during the intersession, you might do something nasty. Hey..if you want to play, play...but you must practice too..if you don't like the procedure...get out, but don't waste our time and OUR MONEY! We were all sorry to hear of Mr. Weinmanns' father passing away recently...one thing we are thankful for is that Mr. Weinmann is finally the trainer here. Mr. Bogan, sometimes your slow, but here is one move, although late, is very good. Our hats go off to the Recreation-Intramural people for the great ice rink.

The Westfield State hockey team could be play-off bound this season. They are flying high as are these two members of the team after scoring a goal.

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Definite need for athletic fee increase

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To the Editor

There is little question what is the most important item or problem facing our Westfield State College, and that is money, or the lack of it. Gone are the days of President Leonard J. Savignano and his express trips to our Commonwealths' capital to be granted nice fat sums for "that school beyond Worcester" Yes the times have certainly changed, but the most painful question still exists as to what are we going to do. Athletics (all athletics including Recreation-Intramural Athletics) are funded by student fees; Re: The Athletic Fee. The past three years the various programs cut pinched and made it on thin ice. There are no more award banquets, jackets given out to seniors, pictures of teams, trophies, awards or anything like that at all. The meal situation was cut to $2.50 per man limited to a certain number. If a coach needs more players, the $2.50 per player usually is down to $2.00 per man. After a game or two, and three to five hours, $2.00 doesn't go far. All that was tough, but now the real hard road must be traveled. What sports will be cut completely? I for one do not want Baseball on that potential list of sports that could be cut, and neither does any other coach or player, but this is what will happen very soon if a raise is not implemented in the Athletic Fee. We have exhausted all the short cuts, all the squeezing and all the watering down a program can absorb. The revelation of Decission Day is here now, and now, the question which was pushed aside for so long, cannot be pushed aside again. As the Director of Recreation-Intramurals as well as the Baseball Coach, my interests are jeopardizing double; I'm very much concerned. I cannot accept a view by many who seem to say that Athletics should be done away with and hold NO trinsic values to the students or the school. Personally, I'm tired of the intelligent students who claim Westfield State is so terrible and they have no idea why they came. These people are parisites and use the college and could care less about its' problems, plus they contribute nothing to our school. They demean and discredit the school, but continue to enroll and accept what the school is providing for them. These individuals are the first to condem and say NO. What ever happened to the person who was proud of his or her school. Intramural Athletics has grown tremendously in the past years, and I am very proud of what the program is, but I'm more concerned of what the progrm can be and should do for the students. Last year alone the Intramural Program was by far the most successful program in all the state colleges. Westfield State ranked first in contests held, number of participants, and activities run. Nevertheless we have the second lowest athletic fee. The statistics for the first semester of this school year probably will not be believed by those in Boston. The results are below: (first semester, Sept.-Dec.)

Activities for 1973: 5; 1974: 6; 1975: 7 1976: 13

Teams for 1973: 70; 1974: 80; 1975: 99; 1976: 170

Participants for 1973: 714; 1974: 1065; 1975: 1230; 1976: 2157

Most of the schools do not have what we have (1976) for their entire year, let alone their first semester!

The plans for next year were not planned this past week, but as early as last July. They include the Astro-Turf complex being a full recreation center containing provisions for tennis courts, basketball courts, horseshoes pits and sports equipment available for students to use. Hours for the Recreation Center are planned to be from late afternoon to 10:00 p.m. each evening. transportation for bowling and skiing is also being planned for next winter with two ice skating rinks, one just for hockey. Bike Ways and the bike paths are also in the planning stages for the coming year.

One very important aspect of Recreation-Intramural Athletics is the cost for officials and supervisors. This takes up close to 75 percent of the total budget. What is so significant about this figure in Intramurals is that every pennie is paid to WSC students! This is probably a near perfect turnover of student fees. During the school year of 1975-76 no less than 175 different individuals worked and were paid by from the Rec. Im budget. All those persons were WSC undergraduates.

Anytime someone pays for something he she must question what is being gained in return for the fee.

In the case of raising the Athletic Fee, the return is obvious, diversified, and available whenever one desires in a variety of settings.

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Sports over the break

By Brian Pienta

Approximately 80 student athletes remained on campus during the recent vacation. According to Paul Bogan, the athletic director, each person was alloted two meals per day instead of the traditional three, in order to save money. Although inconvienced, those involved still managed to perform quite well in their respective sports.

The hockey team, coached by Mike Holubowich, is a prime example of the success achieved over the break. Although losing one goal decisions to Bridgewater State and Worcester State, the team continued to display a consistent team effort which has aided them is subsequent games.

During the break, the Owls defeated a scrappy Bentley squad by a score of 5-3, and beat a good Trinity team by a score of 10-5. The latter victory came about through what Holubowich called a super effort on the part of team members.

With these victories behind them, the hockey team played its best game of the year when it defeated Fairfield by a score of 4-3. The loss dropped Fairfield's record to 6-2 within the division.

Although pleased with the 9-5 overall record of the team, Holubowich said, "I'm disappointed with the schedule because most of the home games come along during the break.

"We had four home games during the semester break."

However, he quickly added, "Some kids show up, and I was pleased with the following we did get."

"Overall I'm pleased with the program and the support has been better."

With a 9-2 division record, coach Holubowich is hoping for a tournament.

Another team which is possibly tournament bound is the 4-2 women's basketball team. Coached by Mary Masucci, the team lost to Worcester State and defeated both Salem State and Boston State over the break.

In the Boston game, almost everyone played, while at Salem the starting five played only the first seven to eight minutes.

"In the Salem game the second five played match ball, and the younger players got some time out on the floor," said Ms. Masucci.

According to Coach Masucci, team shooting wasn't very good, but it has improved, although still only 32 percent.

The team itself is very young, with only one senior and two juniors on the roster. However, two very promising freshmen are Jean Bourke and Tracy Phaneuf.

"We're looking to go all the way," said Ms. Masucci.

"We've employed a couple of new offenses and a defense.

"There's only one injury; otherwise the whole team is ready."

The real tests should be Eastern Conn. on Feb. 19 and Framingham State on Feb. 28.

Over the break the women had to share the same accomodations as the other athletes. According to Ms. Masucci, "The women were treated equally, and I think they (the girls) lived up to it."

Concluding, Ms. Masucci stated that the team was lacking money and had to use vans for transportation.

Suffering from the same dilemna is the men's basketball team, which had a record of 2-3 over the break.

According to Coach Steve Sartori, the team's money was cut back in half, which necessitiated the use of vans.

Although transportation hasn't posed a serious problem, it certainly hasn't helped the young team which has 15 games this season.

"When you're playing on the road with a young team, you make mistakes," said Sartori.

However, Coach Sartori believes that his team is coming around.

He said, "We've done well, and improved immensely.

"We're starting to get our confidence.

"In addition, we're starting to blossom offensively, and our defense is holding up better."

This is evidenced by the fact that Westfield defeated Western New England by 28 points, and beat North Adams State, the leader of the Mass. State College Conference, by a score of 88-86. The victory knocked North Adams out of first place.

Sartori believes that "The tide is turning."

All-American Named

A few days in to this new year, Allie Goncalves received an honor many aspire and few obtain. The senior forward of the Owls soccer team was presented with an All-American citation at the National Soccer Coaches banquet in San Francisco.

In a very rare occurance Fred Pereira of Brown, who played soccer with Goncalves at Ludlow High School, was also chosen to the All-American squad.

When coach John Kurty heard of Goncalve's selection he said, "If anyone deserves such an honor, it's Allie. Westfield State has played 80 games in the past four years and lost only 12. I have to think Allie had a lot to do with this record."

Coach Kurty speaks highly of Goncalves off the field as well. "Allie helps tutor spanish speaking youngsters. He is a real fine boy," the coach added.

Kurty concluded, "We've had good soccer players in the past and have probably been overlooked because we're a small school."

Goncalves is Westfield's first soccer All-American and second athlete to receive All-American status. -Dave Tabin was named to the All-American baseball team this past September.

Up Coming Activities
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Major Spring Activities

INDOOR HOCKEY
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SPRING WEEK-END SPECIAL...to be announced

Other activities will be offered; those interested are urged to check the Recreation-Intramural Handbook and-or call the Office (338) for information.

Owl line burns

By Paul LeBlanc

The Westfield State College hockey team is play-off bound and it's largely due to the efforts of a torrid first line.

The Owl "Hot Line" is made up of Jim Collins, Paul Bracken and Jim Donahue. "This line has to be the top scoring line in Division Three," says Owl coach Mike Holubowich.

The line has 40 goals and 57 assists for 97 points in 13 games this season. They have scored 48 percent of the team's goals and have averaged 7.4 points a game.

Jim Collins, a freshman majoring in Criminal Justice, leads the division scoring with 20 goals and 24 assists. Collins has been selected as the ECAC Player of the Week twice this season. "I know of very few players who have been selected twice," Holubowich said.

"Jim is uncanny in front of the net. He has two four-goal games and one hat trick," Holubowich said. "Opposing teams have scored only six goals while Jim has been on the ice, while our teams has scored 34 goals at the same time."

When Collins isn't scoring he is setting up his linemates. "His strongest attribute is his playmaking ability. His 24 assists speak for themselves," Holubowich said.

Collins is a graduate of Reading High School. From there he went to Berwick Academy, at which several Harvard and Boston College Players have graduated. In his first year of playing for the Great Bay Vickings in the tough New England Junior Collins led the team in scoring until he suffered a broken leg in mid-season.

After leaving Berwick, he played for the Tyngsboro Huskies, also in the NEJHL, and was the second-leading scorer for the third-place Huskies.

"Jim had more hockey experiences when he came to us than many juniors in college," Holubowich said. "I'm sure he will make the all-star team and have a shot at All-American."

Freshman Paul Bracken, also majoring in Criminal Justice, is the big gun in the line's one-two-three scoring punch. Bracken has 14 goals and 16 assists after a slow start. Bracken has two hat tricks this season.

"Bracken is the second or third leading scorer in the division and he'll be pushing Collins for highest

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scorer by the end of the season," the Owls' coach said. "You can tell a good hockey player when he heads for the net whenever he gets the puck. Paul is this type of player. Put a few defensemen in front of him and he'll go through them. He had a tremendous attitude."

Bracken is a graduate of Braintree High School, where he helped his team to the semifinals in the state playoffs. He was the team's leading scorer the 17th-leading scorer in the state.

Jim Donahue, majoring in Physical Education, is the only senior on the team and is the line's digger. Donahue has six goals and 17 assists. While he was on the ice, the Owls scored 28 goals, compared to the opposition's six.

"Jim is one of the better skaters in the league and is an essential contributor to our passing game," Holubowich said. "Jim has a playmaker's role on this line. He is a real student of the game."

Donahue comes from Tewksbury and is a transfer student from Northern Essex Community College. He has played on the team for only two years.

"We are fortunate that two members of the line are only freshmen and we'll have them for a while," Holubowich said.

The Owls moved into second place with a win over Fairfield University Wednesday night. They stand at 10-6 overall and 10-3 in division play.

"We'll have tough games against Framingham State College and Trinity College," Holubowich said.

Holubowich has a lot of faith in his team, especially with his barn-buring "Hot Line." The Owls have had as many as 78 shots on net in a single game.

Someone should give fair warning: The Owls are hot. And they will be as long as they have players like Collins, Bracken and Donahue sweeping across opponents' blue lines.

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Larry Locker

By Larry Locker

The word is out by The Don Longo Company that this years' Super Stars will be bigger and better. Helping Dandy Don is Steve Perry, Shelia Bonazoli and many other hard working P.E. majors who initiated this event last year. Intramural Athletics is said to be helping the P.E. people this year, and combining some other special activities for a big event coming this spring. Something which was left out last semester and should be noted, is the incident involving a Fitchburg State Athletic team breaking into many of the men's lockers and making off with a considerable amount of supplies, gear and equipment. Usually there would be no way of recovering such items in a situation like this, but through the efforts of Mr. Bogan (our Athletic Director) most of the stolen items were recovered and returned to our campus. Athletes from baseball, track, cross-country and many others were fortunate that Mr. Bogan was able to do what he did. And, not to add more compliments, but again Mr. Bogan scored with a decision to rid ourselves of the leased vans for the Athletic Teams. Through the great insight of the 1975-76 Athletic Council (who deemed it a good idea, and saving much money) vans were to be leased for the year to take the place of comfortable, reliable, safe and reasonable buses to transport our men and women around New England. If you dare, ask some of the sacrificed fall and winter athletes who went through the driving, hazard-ful trips with vans breaking down, doors falling off, and students (athletes) having to drive. I'm glad the Dr. Duval version of the Athletic Council is more intelligent. Well it seems the only place the baseball team losses is at home...even without playing! What are they going to do with all the money the Bookstore Committee gave them for their program? How generous they are; and not only to the Ty Cobbs of WSC. Every one of those fair people should be locked up in their new "curriculum library" and forced to memorize the new "college catalog" during each of the baseball home games this spring! The new Ice Rink was great, but, Mr. Magarian, if you're going to do something, do it right! Was the rink made just for hockey? If not, why wasn't the rink given set hours for free skating and hockey? Not everyone plays the game, especially the favored ration on campus! Coach Sartori certainly was taking his lumps, but his team is much better then the record indicates. If half of the games they were leading in, went the WSC way, things would be very impressive, especially for a new club with that many new players! Tim Murphy, Red Ferrell, and Ralph Smith certainly were doing a good job.

Vets, such as Capt. Bill Littleton and Eddie Deveau were still going well. I really like that George Goyette handling the ball. Yes, our hockey team is in the Div. III playoffs. Coach Mike has a great chance of delivering the goods with the scrapping team and this year he has. With that "Hot line" and Curt Everett between the posts they could take away all the prizes. No matter what happens there is no doubt that an increase in the Athletic Fee is dreadfully needed! Traveling by vans, $2.50 for meals, no J.V. or freshmen teams, tight and less money for Intramurals and less money for coaches...all this spells trouble! The program we have here is a very good one. Prices are up for everything, that is a fact of our lives. I challenge anyone to compare our Athletic and Intramural program with any other state school and we will be No. one. Go ahead and check...for the enrollment and the funds and facilities we have, no one can come close. This isn't even taking into consideration the success our teams and programs have enjoyed the past years and name-saving publicity our school receives.

The interest and participation in all Recreation-Intramural Activities continues judging by the number of teams in this years' Street Hockey League. There are 25 womens' teams and 25 mens' teams. No less than 8 teams were rejected because (their rosters) were passed into the office after the set deadline. There could have been nearly 60 teams. The teams will play only six games this season with the playoffs taking the top two teams from each division.

Goncalves takes All-America honors

By Beth Caruso

Alexander Dias Goncalves is graduating from Westfield State College with the class of 1977 and he will be sorely missed. Better known as Allie, Goncalves, recently named to the National All-American Soccer team, will be leaving the ranks of the WSC soccer team after four years of loyal service. For those who are not familiar with the native of Ludlow, he can usually be seen kicking a soccer ball around and sporting the number 7.

Allie came to Westfield State in 1973 after playing three years of varsity soccer at Ludlow High School. Goncalves followed his two older brothers Bino and Tony by coming to play for the Owls. But Allie did not begin his accumulation of awards at Westfield.

The first recognition of his talent came while playing in the 13-15 year old division in the Ludlow Soccer Association. Chosen as an all star for the Ludlow team, Goncalves travelled to New Jersey to meet other east coast teams; from there he was chosen for the East Coast All-star team.

In high school he caught on quickly and was named to the Pioneer Valley League as well as the Western Mass. All Stars. The senior captain earned himself a place in the All State and All New England all star teams.

Allie's arrival at WSC was not ceremonious, yet his talent was anticipated after such an impressive high school career. Coming with Allie from Ludlow to Westfield his freshmann year were Manny Dacruz, John Amaral, and Gary Rodrigues. All of these Ludlowites have made worthy contributions to the Owl soccer team. After playing together for eight years, these young men had a system of play that most opponents felt it difficult to beat.

No different from any other season at Westfield State, Allie had another excellent year. For the fourth year in a row he was named to the Mass State College Soccer Conference which he and his collegues championed this year. It was also his forth year on the All New England team. But it is fitting that upon his departure from the league, he gained even further recognition by being named as the MSCSC Most Outstanding Player of the Year. Goncalves also holds the honor of being the first WSC soccer player to be named to the National All American Soccer Team. Not only do the coaches realize his ability, Goncalves was given the team award as the best offensive player.

How does Allie do it? Does he have a special ritual for each game like most athletes? With his love for soccer, Goncalves explained: "It just happens." He served as co-captain of the squad this year with senior Chris Moukas. They must have psyched someone up for those games to have a 13-3-0 record at season's end. Especially from a team of doubtful standing in the pre-season.

What is probably decisive in Goncalves' achievement is his own assessment of his talent. "I know when I'm playing a bad game." Of coach John Kurty, Allie contends, "he's one of the best coaches I know. He helps by letting you know what your mistakes are."

Goncalves' dream is to play professional soccer when he gets out of school. If one knows of his record or has seen him play would not really call it a dream. Allie's record indicates the caliber of his talent. Time will tell when the American Soccer League has its draft, if Alexander Dias Goncalves will be one of the names on the list. Whether it is or not, Allie Goncalves will go down in the books as having made an outstanding contribution to the soccer tradition at Westfield State College.

BIG SPRING SPORTS SPECTACULAR COMING

A giant sports week-end is being planned for the first week-end in May with many activities being set up. The Super-sports (P.E. club) competition is being set up for that week and a special Road race (7.5 miles) is being planned also. A city wide open swim meet will take place with finals of the softball and hockey leagues being played that same week-end.

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Owls end season

There's something to be said for experience as the best teacher. The Westfield State basketball team and coach Steve Sartori learned the hard way but can look to next season with great promise.

The Owls finished their season at 10-14 but their record since January was 9-7.

Coach Sartori viewed the season as a rebuilding year and said, "We've built some character on our team, as well." Looking to the future, Sartori added, "We have a strong nucleus for next season."

The team consists of Tim Murphy, Ed Devean, Bill Littleton, Ralph Smith, Tim Farrel, and John Slattery with help from, Larry Karpaska, Steve Riley, George Gaoulette, Charlie Blackwell, and Brad Bouse. Littleton is the only player who is graduating this year.

Sartori believes he learned a great deal in this his rookie season. He commented, "I've learned how the other teams operate and I feel this will be a positive factor next year.

The turnabout in the Owls record came after the January break. Four players quit and were replaced by Riley, Karpaska, Gaoulette, and Bouse.

The Owls finished their season at Framingham with a 74-69 loss.

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INDOOR HOCKEY COMING

Probably one of the most looked forward to and exciting activities of the year is coming up in Indoor Hockey. Rosters are due on or before Tuesday, March 15th for womens' and mens' leagues. There will be a managers meeting on Monday March 28th at 7:00 p.m. at Wilson Aud. The league will begin Tuesday, March 29th (after the spring vacation).

Last year there were 36 mens' and womens' teams entered in the leagues; this year the number of teams are expected to reach at least 40! The Ninks won the Womens' League last year and the Climax team (two year defending champion) won the mens' division. As last year, games will begin in the late afternoon and conclude in the evening. All games are played in the main gym. No rosters will be taken after the March 15th deadline.

A full season long softball league will begin the first part of April with all games being played at the Astro-turf field complex. There will be a separate mens' and womens' league, probably with divisions.

Racketball is picking up at W.S.C. and across the country.

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Owls start off new season with a bang down south

By Mark Morris

WESTFIELD—The Westfield State baseball team is off to a running start with a 9-2 record after its southern tour. But according to owl coach Ken Magarian, it's all uphill from here.

"Because we're the defending champs two years in a row, our opponents will keep their best pitcher for us," he said.

He expects North Adams and Salem to be difficult opponents but adds, "Everyone will be tough becauase there's an extra incentive for a team to beat number one.

Westfield was ranked 12th in the nation at the end of last season, making them the highest rated division three team in New England.

Other credits to the team include setting a divisional record last spring formost wins on the road (20) and fimshing in a tie for first place in two fall tournaments.

The Owls boast a potent lineup this year. Dave Tabin, an All-American last year, returns along with a few surprise performers. Alex Masel, an outfielder last year, has switched to catcher, a position he'd never played. The transition was so successful that he became the starting catcher.

A portion of Masel's success comes from his strong throwing arm. According to Magarian, "There are only about a dozen major leaguers who can throw better than Alex."

Bob Mayo, Masel's backup, has also been a solid performer. Both players provide such offensive strength that Magarian plans to keep both of them in the lineup. While one of them catches, the other is to be the designated hitter. Tom Vatcher will back up Mayo and Masal, providing depth behind the plate.

Around the infield, Gary Beard will play first base, with Dave Clivio at second, Dave Bevan at third and Mike Sanson at shortshop. They will be backed up by Mike Gauthier, Frank Halper, Bill Noone, Sean McDonough, Keith Toomey, and Bob Verdolino.

In the outfield, Steve Perry, Dave Tabin, and Bob Benn will play left, center, and right fields respectively. The other outfielders are Jack Mosko, Joe Seckler, Mike Ciampa, Kevin Moore and Karl Pearson.

On the mound for the Owls will be Mark Pananos, Bob Moniz, Gary Puccio, Fred Simm, who plays third, also Ralph "Casey" Barry, Ed LaMagdelaine, Steve Dougal, Cris Reilly and Mark Spencer.

The Owls are playing doubleheaders today and Sunday against the University of Maine.

Hockey Team Has Great Season

By Mark Morris

If the objective of team sports is to function as a unit, than the Westfield State Hockey team has met their objective. Their togetherness enabled them to reach the semi-finals of the ECAC Div. III tourney where Framingham State defeated them by a score of 6-4.

Coach Mike Holubowich which said the Framingham game was, "a frustrating loss..mainly because the guys worked so hard to get there." The effort was certainly evident in their overall record of 14-9, and their 14-4 divisional standing.

Holubowich feels mental preparation was the difference in the semi-final game because Westfield finished their season only two days before. "I'm not complaining but we didn't really have time to catch our breath while Framingham had a week to prepare for us." The Owls led after two periods by a 3-1 margin but Framingham levied a five goal attack in the third period and advanced to the finals.

Westfield's scoring came from Paul Bracken with two goals, and Dave Kenney and Joe Riley with one a piece.

Bracken is on Westfield's "Hot Line" with Jim Donahue and Jim Collins. Collins was named ECAC Player of the Week three times during the season and led the division in scoring with 71 points. Donahue is the only player who will be leaving at graduation in May.

The other players contributing to Westfield's success were Rich Crowley and Paul Liberty (line mates of Joe Riley), with defensemen Andy Heavey, Dave Kenney, Dave Fullen and Dan Walker. They were helped by Bill Spear, Wm Story and Peter Andruszkiewicz. Sidelined last year, with knee surgery, Andruszkiewicz came back this year with a strong effort for several games until he had more trouble with his knee and was forced to slow down.

The Owls had fine goaltending this year as Bobby Austin and Curt Everett were solid performers in the nets. Everett played with more confidence in the second half of the season and was named to the ECAC honor roll, a recognition similar to player of the week.

Holubowich predicts greater achievements for next season. "We had eight freshman this year who will be better next year because of their experience," said Holubowich.

The third year coach also believes support of the fans made a difference. "When we felt tired the fans helped our effort."

To sum up the season Holubowich said, "We won as a team and we lost as a team."

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Polo a hit

A relatively new sport to students at WSC is Water Polo. A record of 14 teams have been entered in this years Recreation-Intramural Water Polo League. Games are scheduled for weekday nights at the pool from 8 p.m. through 10 p.m. The league started last year with six teams, but this year the number of teams has grown and so has the interest. Water Polo is an extemely enduring sport, consequently the game lasts 30 minutes but those thirty minutes are long and hard.

The new team swim team league is getting off the ground with estimates of five to nine teams participating this season. According the Recreation-Intramurals officials each team is co-recreational, but competes just against their own sex. There will be a Men's League, a Women's League and a Co-Rec League, all seperate. Teams compete at the same time. The League is scheduled to begin Wednesday, February 23. Many students hope this league will lead to a regular Swim Team Club for next year to compete with other schools.

Bob Moniz on the mound for the Owls. (Matt Murphy)

April Superstars Begin

Starting April 25th, the campus of Westfield State College will be in the midst of a gala sports event called "The Superstars Contest". This week long affair, started last year by the Physical Education Club, will consist of such events as:

-Women's softball throw
-Men's football throw
-Men and women's basketball free throw
-Men and women's running long jump
-Men and women's 100 yard dash
-Men and women's mile run
-Women's softball hit
-Men's baseball hit
-Men and women's golf accuracy shot
-Men and women's tennis tournament
-Obstacle course
-Men and women's 50 yard free style swimming.

All contestants must participate in as many as five events plus the obstacle course.

There is an entrance fee of $1.00 to cover expenses. Trophies will be given to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners for both men and women along with Superstar T-shirts for the top ten finishers.

Registration for the contest will start on Wed. April 13th in Scanlon Cafeteria, Bates Cafeteria, and the Student Union. We had more than 100 participants last year and we hope to have over 200 this year now that most of the students know how much fun it actually was. Just ask Pam Keene or Butch Lamagdalaine, last years superstars who will hopefully be out to defend the title.

If there are any questions, or if anyone would like to help us out just contact Don Longo, Sheila Ronazoli, Steve Perry, Sue Thopea or any Physical Education Club member.

Hope to see you there on April 25th, it's open to every student on campus and I mean everyone.

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David Tabin Class of 1977

Induction Class of 1994
Baseball

David Tabin was an All American for the nationally ranked Westfield State baseball program in 1976 and 1977.

Tabin transferred from Holyoke Community College and made an immediate impact in the outfield in 1976, as he was selected a third team All American.

The two-time All New England and all conference selection is Westfield's career batting leader with a .416 average, hitting .430 in 1977 and .402 in 1976. He also holds the school record for most hits in a season (61) and had 28 stolen bases in each of his seasons at Westfield.

Tabin resides in his hometown of Holyoke and is a sales representative for the Buxton leather company. He officiates college basketball games and is a former college baseball umpire.

He is married to Barbara (Poirier), a 1977 Westfield State graduate.

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WSC ATHLETIC ARENA — The Astro-Turf soccer field and track at Westfield State College makes a clear pattern in this view from the skies. Officials are hoping that the state Legislature will act to clear the way to build a storage facility and lockers for teams. (Daily News photo by Donn Robinson)

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GLOVES ON — Westfield State College student Paul Regan, left, is being hailed as one of the best natural boxers to be seen anywhere. Regan works out daily at Westfield Boys Club under the watchful eye of John Korzenecki, boxing coach at the club. The criminal justice major will stay in the amateur ranks until after his education is completed.

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Quick Start for Soccer: Four Straight for State

Booters Travel To AIC

By Scott M. Danzig

The Westfield State Soccer team travels to AIC Saturday to face the Yellowjackets at 11 a.m.

This will be the second regular season game for the Owls following Monday's game at Bridgewater, and several scrimmages.

Westfield's first scrimmage was at Williams last Wednesday, ending in a climatic 2-2 tie. Westfield was able to score one goal in each half, and was winning, but Williams achieved a tie with 24 seconds to go in the game.

Frank DaSilva hammered home the first Owl goal with an assist by John Vassallo, and the second half scoring saw Ben Mancini denting the nets on an assist from Tom Sico.

Senior Mike Gauthier said the game was physical, and the field was slow.

The mark of any good team is the ability to play even when some of its key players are injured. Gauthier said, "we have some minor aches and pains, but it's nothing that a little rest won't take care of."

Westfield also played host to Amherst on Friday and easily defeated them 4-0. Frank DaSilva scored two goals and Dennis "Zwayda" Duarte and Joe Chaves chipped in with one apiece then played the Alumni in their annual match Saturday.

Last year the Owls were undefeated in the conference, with an overall record of 15-3, "and this year looks promising," Gauthier said.

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Women's Track Funds Cut

By Paul LeBlanc

The existance of a women's track team is in question this week. No funds were appropriated for the team by the athletic Council. Paul Bogan, athletic director, said that the reason funds were not allocated for the team was because a budget request was not submitted to the athletic council last year for this season and there was not enough interest in the team.

Bogan said there is still a chance for the women to get a team. "They could apply to the athletic council for funds. They could work it through the intramural program or they could raise money to fund themselves. Another alternative would be to declare themselves as a club and try to get the money from the student senate," Bogan said.

The women's track team is not an official intercollegiate team. To become an official varsity team at Westfield State College, a team must be self-funding for three years. The women's track team was started last year as a trial and the official track team helped them by asking for a supplement on their budget, which they in turn gave to the women.

To establish themselves as a team, the women must meet "varsity standards". Bogan said the girls wanted an indoor, outdoor and spring track team. Bogan said this would have been impossible because they didn't have enough people on the team. He said he tried to urge them to "start small". Bogan wanted them to start with a cross-country team. "The girls said no. They wanted to start with spring track, which requires 25 team members. They only averaged about ten women last year," Bogan said.

"Even when they showed up, many of them didn't want to follow the training program," Bogan said. Many of the women blame their training problems on the coaching they received. Donald Buckley, the coach, said that Jerry Gravel, the regular track coach, knew Buckley's time would be limited because he worked. Buckley said Gravel told him to read up on the sport and to do his best. He said he took the job as a favor to Gravel, and Gravel told him he would get paid the $300 coaching salary.

Buckley claims that Gravel was supposed to help him out in organizing the women's training and meets. Gravel said he "did his best to set up the events." Buckley countered that Gravel never showed up to help him with the team. In addition, Buckley claimed never to have received his coaching salary. Gravel said Buckley had received it.

A reporter from The Owl discovered the check had remained in the business office all summer, awaiting approval from the Board of Trustees.

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Bogan Called Sexist

To the Editor,

"There is not going to be a women's track team on campus while I am athletic director. Mr. Bogan seems to have made a successful attempt to actualize his prophecy.

Bogan once again sent the womens team running in circles by neglecting to submit a report that would lead to the group's funding. Womens Track is now left with no funding a handful of poor suggestions.

Paul Bogan recommended that they aim for cross-country team rather than track. As Athletic Director, I should think he would be aware of the vast difference between track and cross-country. Besides, his useless suggestion did nothing to solve their current money problem.

Dean McKenna encouraged fund raising events. Not more than a week ago, McKenna told me that "Athletics should not have to occupy their practice, competition and class time with planning dances. Their money should be sufficiently allocated by the Athletic Fee." Do you consider these 25 women athletes Dean McKenna?

The Athletic Council will at long last be hearing the case of the womens track team. The newly formed Athletic Council is due for their first test of principles.

If the team has gained anything at all by their fight, it is been their practice at hurdles. In the meantime: Mr. Bogan is stacking up quite a history of conviently losing important documents. I seem to remember him losing his doctorate.

Carol Anthony

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Bogan Held Report

Track Team Remains Unfunded

Paul Bogan, the athletic director, is involved in a controversy over women's track.

By Andre Elichait
Paul LeBlanc

Athletic Director Paul Bogan and Gerry Gravel, mens track team coach, are in the center of an increasing controversy over the lack of funding for a women's track team.

The problem stems from the failure of a submitted report to reach the athletic council. The report, submitted to Bogan by Donald Buckley, last years women's track team coach, was the first phase in a procedure necessary to obtain funds for this year.

Bogan did not turn the report over to the athletic council. Gravel said Bogan told him to look at the report and that the Athletic council would want him to comment on it. He never received a call from the Athletic Council.

Charles ' Weinmann, an instructor in the physical education dept., was a member of the Athletic Council last year and said that to the best of his knowledge, the Council never got the report back from Bogan. It was Bogan's responsibility to submit the report

Bogan said he never received a budget request to submit to the council. The submitting of a budget request was not necessary until the participation report was submitted and approved.

The purpose of the report was to establish the amount of participation on last years's team in order to determine if the team would be funded again. Many of the women believe the reason Bogan held up the report is because he isn't interested in women's sports. One member of the team, wishing to remain unnamed, said Bogan told her "there isn't going to be a women's track team on campus while I'm athletic director."

The women were told by the athletic council, that if their participation was high during the year they would be funded again for this year. The report indicated that there was enough interest in the team this year to warrant funding. Gravel agreed that the numbers indicated in the report were close to being correct as far as he could tell. He kept no records.

There are about 25 women interested in running this year. Bogan suggested these women begin as a club sport and work their way up to the specified level set forth through the schools "new team policy" for a varsity team In the meantime the school has no responsibility. Bogan also claims that a cross-country team would be easier to establish than a spring team because you need only 10 women to participate. A member of last years team pointed out that the team would still need funds for transportation because WSC does not have a cross-country trail.

Following the advice of Dean James McKenna, the women plan on raising funds for their cause through dances and other events of this nature.

Contrary to statements made by last years womens coach Donald Buckley, the women said Gerry Gravel was a key figure in the womens track program last season. They said he not only lent a hand with his coaching knowledge, but he also lent them his car for away meets and was also able to help defray the cost of their meals.

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DaSilva Scores Big

By Scott M. Danzig

The big question at the start of this year's soccer season was who's going to do the scoring? Last year it was Chris Moukas, who graduated, and All-American Allie Goncalves Who almost graduated.

This year the scoring sensation, as is often the case at Westfield State, comes from Ludlow. The exception is that he's only a sophomore. His name is Frank DaSilva, or "Kid Neck" as he's nicknamed, and he plays on the front line.

This season he's not only playing on the front line, he's running the league, scoring six goals in four games, and figuring in most of the assists.

DaSilva doesn't have uncles, brothers and cousins from Ludlow that played soccer here. In fact nobody in his family played soccer at all.

Being the youngest child in the family, DaSilva was fortunate. His older brothers worked to help the family budget. Frank was the first person in his family to be able to play.

At the end of his fourth year in high school he was selected to the All-Western Mass. Team. Last year for the Owls he was played off the bench.

This year the only time DaSilva spends on the bench is when he's tired, or if he's scored enough that the team doesn't have to worry, as was the case versus Boston State.

DaSilva doesn't know how many assists he has, "I don't keep track, and you never know who they're going to give them to," he said.

"We've got a lot of teams that want us bad from last year, that's why I want to improve and make the chances I get count," DaSilva said.

The schedule gets tougher, "but we're getting better as the season goes on," DaSilva said.

"I think there's definitely a good chance for the playoffs this year," he said.

By MARK MORRIS

An important factor that can make or break any team lies in its depth. Westfield State's baseball team plans to show how much depth they have this season as they replace three key players.

This year's Co-captains are Fred Simm and Bob Moniz. Coach Ken Magarian has great confidence in his new captains and refers to them as good leaders. Simm contributes to the Owl's effectiveness. Not only did he have the best earned-run average (1.14) last year, he also played third base when he wasn't pitching and led the club in RBI's with 34. Moniz finished second in victories (7) and compiled an impressive 2.66 ERA.

Co-captains Mark Pananos, Steve Perry, and All America choice Dave Tabin graduated this past spring. They left, however, with very impressive credentials. Perry and Tabin, the lead-off men for the Owl attack batted .364 and .430 respectively, and stole a combined total of 49 bases this past season. Pananos, the Owls number one pitcher, fired 71 strikeouts on his way to leading the team in victories with eight.

Any coach would miss performers like these but Magarian looks to the future with great optimism. "I think we have outstanding pitching," said the coach. He said "a couple of good ballplayers had off years last season, and I believe they will come back this year."

Pitchers Butch Lamagdelaine and Ralph "Casey" Barry return to the Owl staff this year as well as southpaw Mark Spencer. LaMagdelaine and Barry accounted for 11 of the Owl's 31 victories this spring. As the only left-handed pitcher, Spencer can expect plenty of starts this season, according to Magarian. Also returning is Chris Reilly whom Magarian describes as having "a lot of potential."

The bulk of the catching will be shared by Bob Mayo and Alex Masel. Both caught for the first time last season and performed surprisingly well. Mayo and Masel alternate between catching and doing the designated hitting chores.

Around the Owl infield, Gary Beard returns at first base. The Winchester native belted his way to a .617 slugging percentage and hit .393 to be second in the club. "Beard is not seen or heard of much, but he contributes a lot to the team," Magarian said. Dave Clivio and Bob Verdolino will alternate at second base while Clivio and Mike Sanson plan to share the shortstop duties. Dave Bevan will play third when Simm is on the mound.

Injured with a shoulder separation last year, a healthy Bob Benn will move into left field. Mike Ciampa will play center and Joe Seckler returns to rightfield.

Magarian hopes this lineup will be an improvement on the Owls chief weakness, defense. "We committed 79 errors last season which is way too many," said the coach.

Owls Riding High Now

By Mark Morris

All the rain that fell last week could not dampen the spirit of the Owl baseball team. Riding high at 9-0-1, Westfield State is off to one of their best fall seasons.

Last weekend in the University of Albany Tournament, they defeated Oneonta College 4-2 before the rest of the tournament was rained out. The Owls won the College division of the tournament last fall and tied for the University division.

In the past two weeks, Westfield has taken three games from WNEC with the junior varsity team winning by themselves. In a doubleheader played at Albany the Owls were hardly contested as they easily took both games 5-0 and 17-3.

This weekend they face two of the teams they beat in last year's NCAA Tournament. Saturday they play a doubleheader against Eastern Conn. State. Sunday North Adams will be here for a

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Owl Booters Take Gordon

By Scott M. Danzig

The Owl's soccer team has kept it's winning ways having recently defeated Gordon State and Boston State.

Friday the booters travel to face Framingham in what should prove to be a tough game, as Framingham has many veterans, some of them coming from the Western Mass. powerhouse of Ludlow.

Make no mistakes about it, the players from Ludlow have been an important factor in Owl's victories having contributed 50 per cent of the scoring.

The Owls, now 4 wins and no losses are outscoring their opponents 19 to 1, to lead divisions II and III in both offense and defense.

Although State has had a balanced scoring attack, the big guns this year have all been underclassmen, with sophomore Frank DaSilva and freshman John Ganhao and Hector Gomes putting in their share of goals.

There have been the familiar names in the Owls scoring too, names like Chris Lynch, and Mike Gauthier, Co-Captains. And Chris Roukas is finally showing us what all of those records from Brockton were all about. Dennis Duarte has been a steady performer on the front line as well, with many good passes inside the penalty area.

Injuries haven't really hurt the team too badly, (though Hector Gomes and John Vassallo would disagree) but in order to win they'll have to stay healthy. The return of Dave "Willy" Williamson is sure to help also.

Two factors to look for are ball control and good passing. So far, the team has played very well together as evidenced by the statistics, and should continue to do so.

The Boston State goalie makes a big save, but not big enough as the Owls won 3-0. (Photo by Keith Gattozzi)

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Banacos May Visit

By Mark Morris

Teams competing for the Banacos Cup will find some new rules and regulations to follow this year.

They will first have to apply at the Intramural Office in order to be eligible for the cup.

Jim Banacos, formerly of Westfield State, was injured in a Lacrosse game against Springfield College. As a result of the accident, he was left almost totally paralyzed.

Intramural Director Ken Magarian visited Banacos this June to show him the trophy. Banacos greatly appreciated having the trophy named in his honor. Magarian left the trophy with him for the summer. Banacos plans to visit the campus this fall and to return the cup named after him.

If he is healthy enough to return, Magarian hopes to have a special program for Banacos featuring an invitational road race.

The intramural activities that are counted for the Banacos Cup are Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Water Polo, Street Hockey and Softball.

The winners of last year's Banacos Cup were the Miserable B's in the Women's division and AWT in the Men's Division.

Intramural Football

NFL		AFL	
Tang	2-0	Guttercats	3-0
Rats	2-0	Conventioneers	3-0
ProfesoLactics	3-1	Seamen	3-1
Bad Co.	2-2	Lagers	1-1-1
Nats	0-2	Berkshire Rats	1-2-1
Space Cadets	0-2	Thrid World	1-2
Klondikes	0-4		
Walkers	4-0		
Miserable B's	3-0		
T.N.S.	2-0		
Rompers	1-2		
C3PO	0-2		
Fly Swatters	0-3		

*U.S.T. and N.J.C. have forfeited out of the league.

Last edition Mark Morris reported that the co-captains for the baseball team were Fred Simm and Bob Moniz. That was erroneous. The captains are Simm and Bob Mayo. We extend our apologies to both Mayo and Moniz.

Larry Returns to the Lockers

By Larry Locker

There is no question, the fall season is the busiest season of the school year. No less than seven sports are participating. The WSC Golf Team took runner-up honors last week in coming in 2nd to Salem State in the Mass. Conf. Golf tour, held here at Tekoa. Coach Gravel's Cross-Country boys are tuning up for their season opener at Amherst on Oct. 1st. Their first home meet is with Southern Conn. on Oct 3rd.

Her name is Freda, and she's straight to the letter; she runs her girls hard, but never misses a yard, when her girls come in first, there is never a curse, for Wesleyan was No. 1 and the rest will come; keep going Women's Field Hockey!

It seems like Coach Kurty never changes...neither do his teams... they win, win and then they win some more. Bridgewater, AIC, Boston and Gordon College have all been put down and the Soccer Owls are off and running to another great season. It is only September, but, yes, the Ice Hockey Team is back to work already. Coach Holubowich has his skaters working out already. Can time be going by THAT fast? This is not the first time Lumpy Larry has mentioned this problem and probably it will not be the last, but, SOMEONE, PUT SOME DARN LIGHTS ON THE ROAD FROM WESTERN AVE TO THE ASTRO-TURF! Does something have to happen first, for lights to be put up? A lot of students play Intramurals at the Turf at night and it isn't fair NOT protecting them; especially the women. We would like to tip our hat to our STOREKEEPER (not our equipment manager) Mr. Fred Midgley. Fred has been with us for about 6-7 years now, and does one heck of a job. If anyone needs help, Fred is always there assisting players and coaches with little problems which no one seems to care about. An unsung hero, yes, and a quiet one at that. A real gentleman and an asset to our Athletic Department. Fred we salute you. It's nice to see all the bottles and glass around the baseball field, especially Sat. and Sun. mornings. Of course, it only takes the baseball team about an hour to clean it up, but, who cares, what's the baseball team anyway? What have they done for WSC? And their field . . .who cares?!

The time and effort they put into their program doesn't deserve any credit. In fact the broken glass and garbage is deserving... and you mean to tell Little Larry nothing can be done? Bravo! I'm getting sick. People are already arguing about where the outdoor ice hockey rink should go this winter...are you listening Mr. Magarian? But you did say you would have two rinks this year didn't you? Ask Mr. French what he did this summer. If you like outdoors you won't miss a single word Mr. French says. Mr. Bogan, do we really have TWO scoreboards...but no funds to put them up? Score another point for the Red Tape at WSC. Until next time...Watch the K.C. Royals, they haven't forgotten last year in Yankee Stadium.

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Split Squad Takes Two

by Mark Morris

With half their squad in Amherst and the other half in Connecticut, Westfield State's cross country team began their running with two meets this weekend.

The Amherst Invitational was scheduled Saturday as well as a meet with Eastern Connecticut. To participate in both meets, Owl coach Jerry Gravel sent half the squad to the invitational and the other half to Eastern Connecticut.

In Amherst, co-captain Jim McGilloway finished second with a time of 25:08, Bob Grandfield the other co-captain finished fourth with a time of 25:18 and Rand Marcy finished fifth at 25:31 to assure Westfield State's victory over Amherst and Bentley colleges. Jim Dillion with a time of 25:46 and Dan Buckley at 25:47 also helped the cause by finishing seventh and eighth on the 4.8 mile course.

Down at Eastern Connecticut, Kevin Crowley won the race with a time of 28:38, while Bill Dunn and Scott O'Brien finished third and fourth at 29:05 and 29:22. Also contributing to the win were Don McWhirter who finished sixth at 29:35 and Time Lawton who came in seventh at 29:40 on the 5.2 mile course.

The other runners on this year's squad include seniors Mark Asaro and Dan Dunn; juniors Dan Richard and Jeff White; and sophmores Scott Bissaillon, Tony Maccario, George McAllister, and Bill Paterwic. This season there are twelve freshmen, including Buckley, Lawton and O'Brien. The others are Mark Bugden, Paul Burgholzer, Gary Braese, Bob Dolan, Dan Doyle, Mark Herbst, Steve Noyes, Mark Prior, and Bob Quintal.

The totals in the Amherst meet were Westfield St. 26, Amherst 33, and Bentley 79. In Willimantic, Westfield St. defeated Eastern Connecticut 21-37.

Considering the fact his squad was split up, coach Gravel was very pleased with the performance of his team. He considers this year's team even "better than last year". Gravel then said he would have a better idea about his team's ability next weekend when a tough Southern Connecticut team visits Westfield.

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WSC Booters Add to their Perfect Record

by Scott M. Dunaig

Kim Shea and Ken Kelly registered their fourth shout-out as the Westfield State College Soccer team retains an unblemished 6-0 record.

Last week's victims of the Owls attack were Worcester State, and Framingham State.

The real test of the entire season is this week, however, as the booters face two of their biggest rivals on the road, North Adams Monday, and Springfield this Friday.

Both North Adams and Springfield are out for revenge after last year's scores. For Springfield it's been two years, and fans can rest assure the Chiefs would like to topple the undefeated Owls if North Adams doesn't get to them first.

In the middle of the week the Owls play host to a weak Mass Marritime squad Wednesday night.

Goalies Kelly and Shea haven't received much publicity this year, probably because they haven't done much yet.

So far all that they've done is post four shutouts in six games, if that's nothing. It's easy to overlook these statistics when their opponents don't even penetrate the penalty area for a threat, never mind a shot on goal.

Frank DaSilva has continued his awesome scoring pace, but there are others on the team who've proved quite well that you don't have to be Portuegese, come from Ludlow, or even Western Mass., for that matter, to be a good soccer player.

Coach Kurty promises a good game both Monday and Friday, and said, "don't worry, we'll be tested, it'll be tough."

Upcoming Intramurals

	Rosters Due
Soccer League	October 12th
Badminton Tour	November 1st
Cross Country Run	October 12th
Racketball Tour	November 1st
College Open Swim Meet	November 1st
Co-Rec Volleyball	October 12th

ALL activities have men and women divisions
for information dial 338

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Coach Predicts Talented Squad

by Mark Morris

Westfield State's hockey coach Mike Holubowich faces a problem that most coaches only dream about.

Holubowich will have a difficult time this season trimming his roster to the maximum 21 skaters and 3 goalies. The problem stems from a large number of talented freshmen competing with the returning veterans. The veterans proved their ability last season by compiling a 14-4 record against their Division III rivals. "I'm just floored by the number of good players trying out this year," said the coach.

"If any one landed a coup on prep schools it was us." Holubowich said about one of the main sources of the Owl's new talent. Last year, Jim Collins was the big find from Berwick Academy. This year, however, six players from New School in Cambridge will be "making some noise" according to the coach. Paul LeBlanc and line mates Bob Heyner and Dave Stefanelli, along with Donny Labella will be competing for forward poisitions. Ed Murphy and John Milso will try to land defense and goalie positions, respectively. The Girouard brothers, Kenny and Kevin who transferred from St. Anselm's will also be fighting for positions on this year's team.

Having a large number of talented candidates will provide the club with added depth at all positions. "We weren't as deep as we wanted to be," said Holubowich referring to last season. One impressive statistic is the average size of their Owl defenseman: 6'2" and 188 pounds. The coach commented "having a big defense can do nothing but improve us."

Holubowich stressed that he did not have to vigorously recruit the new players. There was what he termed a "mutual interest". Many came to Westfield State because their friends told them of the hockey program at the college.

When he completes his roster, Holubowich plans to schedule many scrimmages against division II schools to sharpen his players. Although the fourth year coach has never beaten any of his division II rivals, he said, "I think we'll surprise a few teams this year."

Watch for FOOTBALL FOLLIES

"Flipper" on Sports

Once again Volleyball Season is amongst us here at WSC. Keeping to the tradition of Intramurals we again find ourselves face to face with the enemy on the other side of the net. Among the old enemies are such teams as Walkers, Guttercats, Third World AWT, Bushbangers, and Miserable B's. New teams once again flood the roster with such names as Spaceshots, Mom's Kids, Bowlers, Missing Links, S.O.S., Fly Swatters, and Klondikes.

This year there are 14 men and 39 women's teams. Each of them are having a great time on the courts, although winning is more fun than losing.

In the Men's East you can expect a close race for any position except last place. "Machine" seems to have that position all wrapped up and they are in need of a lot of oil and tender loving care. In the West things are pretty well split between the top teams and the bottom ones. AWT, winners of last years Banacos Cup, looks pretty solid but watch out for Ugman Army Recruits.

The Women's American League has a few top and bottom teams, but a lot are in the middle. The East has USBT, which is mainly a freshmen team out in front with an undefeated record. Keep up the good work, girls! As for S.O.S., you'd better give up the sinking ship and head for an Island along with the Bullets. The West is killing a lot of flies with the Fly Swatters at the top. This is mainly an upperclassmen team that play a great game of V-Ball. But the old timers, the Walkers are close behind with a different type of fly for the Fly Swatters to handle.

In the National League a similar story unfolds for us. Bldg. 2-2 Floor is in front of the National League East with a seasoned and well-coached team. Without her I don't know where they would be, probably heading to the bowling alley instead of the V-Ball court with the Bowlers or into orbit with the Spaceshots. Assorted Nuts are 50% peanuts and 50% coconuts. Mom's Kids look like they lost Mom. In the West we find a strong TNS with the Bushbangers rebounding off some bushes along the path to victory. The Miserable B's, the winners of the Banacos Cup for Women, are crouched waiting for the others to annihilate each other. As for the Night Owls, Volleyball Vamps and Bliss Corner, well, they shouldn't be out so late at night.

Other than that, this is this week's sports in Intramurals. Stay tuned for next week when we will once again see, "What life has in store for all of you in V-Ball Country." Give it your best, guys and gals. You may stop a teams rise to the top or knock down some ten-pin-team sitting pretty up in first. So forget your studies for a while and get involved in Intramurals. They're here for you and you alone.

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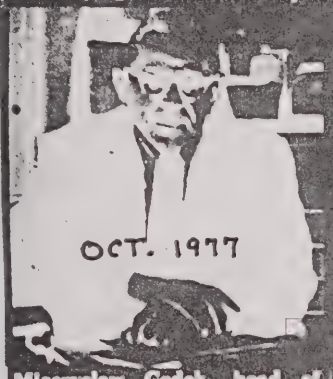
Sports Complex Plans Revived

by Mark Woods

Although plans for a $5 million sports complex at Westfield State College have been officially abolished, according to Mieczyslaw Godek, director of planning and development, efforts are still being made to revive them.

Athletic Director F. Paul Bogan, while acknowledging that it is not going to be an easy task, said he is still trying to work out a way to obtain the facility. He said that student concern, faculty backing and public attention are among the ingredients necessary to build the complex.

Bogan noted that at Boston College a sports complex was built by the students themselves. "They taxed themselves and had it built in some 12 to 14 months," he said.



Mieczyslaw Godek, head of planning and development. [Photo by Matt Murphy]

The demise of the complex came because, according to Godek, "the students and faculty shot down the plans." He said there is now not enough money for the building and "the plans were abolished as of June, 1977." Godek attributed bad publicity as a contributing factor.

Abolishment of the compulsory physical education requirement during the presidency of Dr. Harry Becker, now dean of graduate studies, also helped to minimize the need for a sports complex.

Netmen Looking Strong

by Mark Morris

The men's tennis team is hoping to unseat a perennial champion of the State College tournament. With an improved squad this season, the Owls will be trying to knock off Salem State who has won the tournament for the past few years.

At press time the netmen had only one regular season loss, a 7-2 defeat to the same Salem St. team.

The Owls have a combination of youth and talent working for them. Captain Butch Casey is the only senior on the team. Val Wilder a freshman from Westfield High plays number one singles and is currently undefeated. Casey plays second singles and joins Wilder for number one doubles. Dan Tonelli and Ken Picard play third and fourth singles and both make up the second doubles team. Don Labella and Dominick "Guffy" Albano play fifth and sixth singles while Tom Galligan and Kenny Botelho combine for number three singlea. Wilder, Casey and Picard all played number one singles when they were in high school. Casey played for Greenfield, Picard for Chicopee Comp. and Wilder for Westfield. $

In last year's tournament the netmen finished third behind Bridgewater and Salem St. Wilder called this year's squad "stronger" and said they can do better this year.

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V-ball Playoffs Begin Tonight

The Womens' and the Mens' championship Volleyball Games will be played tonight at the Gym beginning at 8:30 P.M.

The teams making the 1977 playoffs are: Womens: Bushbangers, T N S, Third World, Miderable B's Fly Swatters, 4-F's, Pits, Walkers, U.S.B.T., Rompers, Annex, Bushes, No Names, Stateys, Kitty's Cat, Big. 2-2. The teams in the Mens' division gaining berths in the playoffs are: AWT, Spew, Brunski, Guttercats, Ugman Army, and Bongers.

The Co-Rec. Volleyball Season will begin Monday, October 24th with 22 teams in the league.

Undefeated at 4-0

Owls Blank Salem, 3-0

by Andre Elchalt

Westfield State's women's field hockey team is off to a running start this season. After four games they remain undefeated with a 3-0 shutout this past Saturday against Salem State.

The Salem State game was highlighted by a two goal performance by Suzy Lehto.

The Owls also won an exciting 5-2 decision game against Framingham State a few days before. They were led by Gina Hopkins' "hat trick" (three goals), and Nancy Johunen's two goal performance.

In the first half Westfield dominated play completely. Hopkins scored her first goal early in the half. She then blew her second goal by the Framingham goaltender with seven minutes remaining. Johunen added her first with approximately three minutes before the half time whistle.

In the opening moments of the second half, Johunen added her second goal to up the score to a commanding 4-0 lead. Framingham's Julie Nau tallied twice for her team to close the gap to 4-2, only too see Hopkins score the insurance goal for Westfield late in the half.

Owl coach Freida Brown had this to say about her undefeated team, "We are going to go all the way this year. The key to our success lies in our depth, every member of my team is above average."

Field Hockey

Oct. 6 Bridgewater (A) 3:00
10 Central Conn. (H) 3:00
13 No. Adams (A) 3:00
18 Fitchburg (H) 3:00
20 U Conn. (A) 3:00
22 Jackson (A) 1:00

Streaking at 8-1

Owl Booters Over S.C.

by Scott M. Danzig

After a somewhat shaky start this past week, the Westfield State Soccer Team came on strong when they needed it, to upset Springfield College 2-0.

Last Monday Westfield was trounced by North Adams 5-2 on a soggy field. Westfield could only muster enough offense for five shots on goal, and surprisingly put two of them in against a tough goal keeper.

The Owls improved as the week went on though, and took it right to Mass. Maritime to send them back to Buzzard's Bay with their tails between their legs after losing to the Owls 4-0.

Friday was the night everybody was waiting for. In the chilly weather, in front of a vocal and packed crown Westfield smeared the Springfield College Chiefs right off the turf.

John Vassallo tallied the first goal putting a head ball over the reach of the Springfield goalie, to make the score 1-0.

The next goal came off a rebound of a hard shot right in front by Co-Captain Mike Gauthier. The ball slipped away from the goalie, and Dennis Duarte was there to hammer home the insurance goal.

Second half action deteriorated, as the game turned into a boot and run type of game. The momentum swung in Springfield's favor, but they couldn't get the ball past Kim Shea the Owl's goalie.

At the final horn Westfield had all they could do to walk off the field after the physical abuse they took from the Chiefs.

"They lost to St. Louis 2-1, but when they came over here to play the men they knew what the score would be," Dennis Duarte said following the Owls impressive victory.

"We played really well tonight," Duarte said, "We're going to be tough from now on."

Women Smash Four Straight

by Cory McBride

After early season difficulties, the Westfield State womens tennis team has recorded four consecutive victories. Coach Larry French is optimistically looking forward to post season play with the New England tournament scheduled for the weekend of October 21.

One reason for Coach French's optimism has been the play exhibited by the team in their last three matches. With impressive victories over Salem State College 6-1, Rhode Island College 7-0, and the University of Bridgeport by a score of 6-1 on October 6.

Key performers in the Owls fast start have been Kim Perreault, sophomore, playing at the number 3 position, Darlene Curley at the number 4 position, Kathy Hickey playing at the number 5 position. Curley and Hickey were teammates in high school. All three ladies are currently undefeated in match play. An outstanding freshman has been Kathy Lepore who has been a pleasant surprise according to Coach French.

Golfers Drive to 5-1

by Mark Morris

The Westfield State golf team put together a fine fall season with a 5-1 record. Coach Bill Dobiecki was very pleased with his team's performance. The only problem he pointed out was the conflict of matches being scheduled the same time some of his players were still in class.

The players on this year's team were Seniors Paul MacIntosh, Pat Foley and Walt Ballard. Dobiecki looks forward to next season when Jim Galicka, Don Kennefick, Dan Brown and Paul Legendre return. The coach feels they will be a good nucleus for the team.

In the Mass. State College Tournament, the Owls lost only to Salem State and defeated North Adams, Bridgewater, and Worcester State. Westfield then finished 16th out of 33 schools in the Tosh Open held at Tekoa Country Club. Dan Brown fired a 188 in an impressive field of competitors.

The Owls also defeated Western New England College both times they met.

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Athletic Training Concentration

A new concentration in athletic training is being offered under the Physical Education major at Westfield State College. The concentration involves the health needs of athletes and courses related to that goal.

Students wishing to enter the program must be involved in the teacher certification program for secondary education. Applications for entrance into the concentration must be completed before the beginning of a student's sophomore year.

"The athletic trainer is responsible for the prevention of injuries, immediate first aid for those that are injured and treatment and rehabilitation procedures as directed by the team physician. The trainer also has to be a diplomat, because he must be able to get along with the team physician, the coaches, the administration and the athletes," Charles Weinman, an instructor in the Physical Education Dept. said.

Emphasis in the concentration of study will be in medical management and the prevention of injuries. Among courses required are anatomy, physiology, first aid and safety, nutrition and remedial exercise.

Other courses recomended are physics, pharmacology and histology (the study of human tissue).

Pitching, a Big Owl Strength

by Mark Morris

No one can tell the Westfield State baseball team that the fall season doesn't count. They are playing for keeps with an impressive 10-0-1 record.

On Oct. 1 and 2, Westfield State faced some of their toughest competition as Eastern Connecticut and North Adams State Colleges came to town for doubleheaders. Westfield beat both teams this past spring en route to the division finals which they eventuall" lost to Brandeis.

Neither school cou top the Owls as they beat E tern 7-3, 8-4 and North Adams 8-0, 8-3. Fred Simm hurled the shutout, a three hitter. Simm said of (year's pitching, "I think it's the best we've ever had."

Last Wednesday, the Owls travelled down to Eastern Conn. to give them another shot at their unbeaten record. The results turned out in State's favor again as they downed E. Conn. 8-5, 7-1. In the first game Steve Periera who appeared in relief of Mark Spencer and allowed only one hit in five innings. The second game was highlighted by the one hit pitching of Kevin Foley.

Westfield State competed in the Springfield College Tournament this past weekend. Owl Coach Ken Magarian expressed confidence in his team but cautioned against over-confidence. "We should play well, that is if we don't look too far ahead to the game against Springfield."

One of the best compliments the Owls have received came from Rich Bedard, coach of AIC. He told Magarian that after seeing all the teams in Western Mass., no one can come close to Westfield.

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Pros and TNS Take Int. Crowns

In one of the most attended championship football games played here at Westfield State the Professoriatics Intramural Football team regained the championship they lost last year to the same team, Bad Company. After a scoreless first half, halfback Mike Sanson raced 40 yards with the first score... Clivio passed to Gary Beard for the conversion. Then Bad Company could not get the snap cleanly and gave up the football after penetrating deep into touchdown territory. Dave Clivio on second down found Bob Benn for a deep pass and a first down on the five yard line. Benn then swept the right end for six points; the conversion failed. Bad Co. led by Bob Bonas struck pay dirt to cut the score to 13-6. Then on the very first play on the next series of downs, quarterback Dave Clivio swept the left end found a hole and ran over 60 yards for the final touchdown. A two point conversion was good which made the score 21-6. Bad Company wasn't giving up without a fight and Bob Bonas found Ed Quigley for a 15 yd. touchdown and the final score ran 21-13. Last year these same teams battled with Bad Co. overpowering their opponents.

Many of these same players will be back in action Saturday with the first annual Banacos All-Star Football game getting underway at 3:00 P.M. The champions Professoriatics will play the All-Star team which will be announced Thursday, October 20th.

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T N S has won the 1977 Womens' Football championship by beating the Miserable B's 8-6 in the final of the Womens' Division. The Walkers Football team, the defending champions were ousted out of the playoffs for the first time in four years. In the championship game both teams played well with a two point conversion being the difference and giving T N S the championship.

Larry of the Lockers

by Larry Locker

Who said that they play Flag Football here at WSC? Man, thats REAL FOOTBALL! Congrads to the Professoriactics and Bad. Co.

It looks like Mike Gauthier and Company will be heading for another tournament....the Soccer Owls have only a North Adams loss to mark this years record and ofcourse the big win over rival Springfield College helped their Tour. bid. Is Sue Lehto coming back to Field Hockey wars? Her mates are doing well, but are still kicking about that game against Bridgeport with the well laid out field and lines. Will our Womens' V-Ball Team have a long season? Insiders say that it could be one of the longest ever here. Coach Satori begins the B-Ball Season here at Whip City U with captains Ed Devoe and Ralph Smith leading the young squad.

The old Hockey axe bit many a player the past weeks. Hutch and Davy Sheehan are gone and also Peter A. Peter never really fully recovered from that knee injury last fall. Rich Brooks is another familiar player who will not be skating for the Ice Owls this season. Are the newcomers THAT GOOD?

Mr. Bogan had his hands slapped the other week by the Women Track Team (if there is such a team.....I didn't think three people made a team). But, Mr. Bogan was more in the right then some of the leading mouth sprinters. Actually both parties are full of paper feathers and neither will get anywhere unless they say "truce" and smoke the pipe...and I don't mean the funny one...or maybe that would be a good idea!

Bob Strom says that there will be a Water Polo HOME Game on Friday..Oct. 21st. Opposition will probably be U.Mass. and B.U.

Volleyball Standings

MEN'S EAST	WON	LOST
1 Bongers	6	1
2 Guttercats	5	2
3 Load	4	3
4 Brunski	4	3
5 Klondikes	4	3
6 NJC	3	3

WOMEN'S AMERICAN EAST	WON	LOST
1 V.S.B.T.	6	0
2 Bushes	6	1
3 Annex	6	2
4 Rompers	4	3
5 Ward	4	3
6 S.O.S.	4	4
7 T.C.S.	3	4
8 Amateurs	1	4
9 Koolos	0	6
10 Bullets	0	7

NATIONAL EAST	WON	LOST
1 No Names	6	0
2 Kitty's Cats	5	0
3 Big 2-2 Floor	4	1
4 Stateys	5	2
5 Ziggy's	4	2
6 Assorted Nuts	4	4
7 Mom's Kids	3	4
8 Spaceshots	1	7
9 Bowlers	0	6
10 Owls	0	6

WEST	WON	LOST
1 Ugman Army Recruits	6	1
2 AWT	6	1
3 Spew	5	3
4 Wild Turk's	3	3
5 Missing Links	1	6
6 Berkshire Rats	1	6

WEST	WON	LOST
1 Fly Swatters	6	0
2 Pits	5	1
3 Walkers	6	2
4 4-F's	4	3
5 Panthers	3	3
6 Scanlonites	3	4
7 Zips	3	5
8 Sorcerers	2	6
9 C3PO	1	6
10 Duds	2	6

WEST	WON	LOST
1 TNS	7	0
2 Third World	5	1
3 Bushbangers	5	2
4 Miserable B's	4	2
5 Bliss Corner	3	4
6 AA's	2	3
7 Scanlon's Sensations	1	5
8 Volleyball Vamps	1	5
9 Night Owls	0	6

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Larry Comments

By Larry Locker

Another Mass. Conf. championship for our Field Hockey girls....nice job. Clivio Sanson and company did a job on the Football All-Stars last week during Jimmie Banacos Day. The Professorlactics must be for real.

Coach Satori had a large turnout for B-ball tryouts...for some reason he doesn't seem that optimistic. Its' too early for Lumpy Larry to look into the hard-court Owls future for this season.

Our Soccer boys did a fine job this season..when you lose only three games in the season it has to be successful. Unfortunately, some of those losses hurt, especially against UMass. The only Tour. to hope for is the regional ECAC...it would be nice if that were held here at Owl Field. By the way, when are they going to name the Astroturf field?

The Water Polo Club Team did a fine job last week abainst UMass. and B.U. here at the College Pool. True, they have yet to win a match, but their play has really improved.

The Intramural Volleyball finals were a sleep thru, but the semi-finals were real exciting. Why wasn't the scoreboard used for all the V-Ball playoff games..or for that matter all the games? It seems that the Intramural Director could do more for the Intramural kids; like use one of the scoreboards in the gym. Why not, the kids pay the fee for everything here anyway, including the raise in the fee from last year. Also... Mr. Magarian, tell us why the soccer officials come to officiate when they feel like and why teams HAVE to play in the rain..or are you getting things mixed up with baseball.

What's this... word has it Tony V., the Lacrosse coach, may not be back next year. So far it's just a rumor, nothing confirmed. It was good to see that many kids from WSC run in the Banacos Road Race last week..good job Scooter, at least you finished. That was a very interesting day. I can't wait to see this years' version of the hockey team...they are like the Springfield Indians, the entire roster changes each year.

Nov. 1977

Int. Soccer Standings

Men

Houston	4-0
20-20's	2-1
N.J.C.	2-1
S.P.O.N.G.E.	1-1-1
Amnesia	1-2
Wild Turks	1-2
Headers	1-2-1
Spew	1-2-1
Goon Platoon	0-2-1
Newark	3-0
AWT	3-1
Seamen	1-1
Berkshire Rats	0-0-2
Machine	1-1-1
Conventioneers	0-1-1
Guttercats	0-2-2
Bernies	0-2

Women

Fly Swatters	3-1
Bush Bangers	1-0
No Names	1-0-1
TNS	1-1
Rookies	1-1-1
Amateurs	1-1-1
Walkers	1-1-1
Miserable B's	0-1-1
Pike Porkers	1-2
Pits	0-3-1

Upcoming Events

Badminton Tour.
Nov. 18-20

Racketball Tour.
Nov. 14

Open Swim Meet
Early Nov.

Co-Rec V-Ball

Yankee Division	
Gutter cats	4-0
A-Moose Inc.	3-0
Human Error	3-0
Good News	2-1
C3PO	2-1
Guys & Dolls	2-1
Berkshire Rats	1-1
Burnouts	1-2
Gumballs	1-2
Invincibles	1-2
Heads & Tails	0-3

Rebel Division	
J & J's	3-0
No Names	2-1
Trackies United	2-2
TNS	1-1
The Losers	1-2
The REC'ers	1-2
Zips	1-2
Tang	1-3
Nuts, Bolts & Screws	0-3
Sibannac's	0-3

1977-1978

Crowley Wins Three Straight

"I'm built too big for cross country, even though I love to run it," Kevin Crowley said. Despite his size the Wakefield native has finished first in the three meets he has run in this season. His most important victory was in the Codfish Bowl tournament held at Franklin Park in Boston. That victory assured him of a place in the NCAA Championships to be held early November in Cleveland.

Crowley's favorite event is the 3000 meter steeplechase. He was chosen to the All America team in 1975 for this event which is considered the most difficult in track.

Before transferring to Westfield State, Crowley became interested in the steeplechase at Boston State. Mark Duggan, a three time All-American in the event, taught him the basics which requires both hurdling and endurance skills. "I just took to it," said Crowley.

The only problem Crowley has had throughout his career has been injuries. After breaking two ankles and having surgery performed on both knees, the sophmore's performance is even more impressive.

"I'd say less than half of a runner's success is with the individual person, the rest comes from your teammates and the coach," said Crowley. When asked about his teammates, the Phys. Ed. major said, "I've never seen a group of kids closer. They'll always give you a hand with whatever you're doing, and the same goes for the coach."

Coach Gravel was formerly an assistant at Boston State where he worked with Bill Squires. Crowley said the two coaches have equally effective methods of coaching. "Both coaches are interested in the runner as a person and not just as a runner." Squires has coached such notables as Bill Rogers, winner of the New York City Marathon last week and the Boston Marathon two years ago.

"This could be one of the best college teams around, now we just have to put it together," said Crowley. Crowley and his teammates are now trying to qualify as one of the three teams that make the trip to the Nationals. Coach Gravel said, "Without Crowley we're about even with Boston State, but with him we're a little bit better."

more comfortable on a track," said Crowley. Running as well as he does now, it appears competing schools will have an even more difficult time catching Kevin Crowley when he feels comfortable in cross country.

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No Names and AWT Cop V-Ball Crowns

Names Drop Swatters, 2-1

Despite a full year layoff (losing in the 1976 finals) the NoNames Womens' Volleyball Team won the championship with a come from behind victory over the Fly Swatters. The Swatters won the first championship game (of the three game match) 12-9, but the NoNames came swarming back to take the next two games 11-7 and 12-8. The Flyswatters had beaten the Miserable B's in two straight games to gain a spot in the finals. The champion NoNames eliminated the Bushes in two straight games to meet for the crown.

Reps Named

The Recreation-Intramural Athletic Office has just announced the Rec-Int. Athletic Committee for 1977-78.

From Davis Hall were representatives Peter Andruszkiewicz, Mike Barbera, Jim Carter, Chuck Morgan, and Joe Seckler. Jeanine Gauthier and Sue Tropea represent Dickinson

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AWT Bongs in 2-0 Sweep

This makes it two years in a row for the champion AWT Volleyball team. Last year they won the championship and for a while it looked like they would not repeat. The Ugman team had given AWT their only loss in the season and also won the initial playoff game of the semifinal champion match 8-6. Somehow AWT woke up and dazzled Ugman to the tune of 15-2. Both teams settled down and Ugman was leading AWT in the final game 6-2 when AWT put on another spurt and came away the victor 10-8 and gain a spot in the finals against the Bongers who defeated the Brewski team in two straight games 9-7 and 10-7. In the Mens' Championship match between The Bongers and AWT, the two year champions took two straight games 14-8 and 13-11. The final game was a thriller with the Bongers knocking on the AWT door throughout the entire game.

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Finish Season 11-3

Owls Eye Playoffs

By Scott M. Danzig

It's said that you can only go down three times, and then you drown. Although the Owls soccer team has been defeated three times, their play-off hopes aren't over yet.

Three losses stacked up against eleven wins isn't that bad. Especially the thrilling 2-0 upset win over Springfield College.

Even the losses weren't all that bad, all things considered. North Adams beat Westfield 5-2 in North Adams. The day was one of those typical days of late, where if you could swim you'd be just as well off as if you could walk. On a muddy football field, with both sets of goal posts set up, the Mohawks really scalped the Owls.

And scalp they did in grand fashion too. Within the opening minutes of the game North Adams sat Frank DaSilva on the bench with a knee injury. At that point in the season DaSilva was banging in goals and assisting teammates at a fast paced clip. Since that game he never really looked the same. They reduced a superstar to an above average player. He still had moves, and was still able to shoot, but never with the same gusto that he showed earlier in the season.

Westfield's other two losses came at the feet of Eastern Conn., and U-Mass. The Eastern Connecticut game was characterized as luck. Even their players said it was their best game of the season, making blind passes and having the ball land on a teammate's foot. But there was some controversy at this game too. Dave "Willie" Williamson was sucker punched, and when he retaliated by pushing his opponent, the ref pulled out the red card and sent Willie to the showers.

As usual Dennis Duarte or Zwayda had something to say about all of the ruckus. No sooner did he put in his two cents worth, and guess what? You guessed, he got the red card too. How can a team come back after a disturbance like that?

Against U-Mass all that can be said is that the score wasn't reflective of the closeness of the game.

Enough of the negative side, let's review some of the other aspects of the season or highlights if you will.

The old faces were there all season long in the clutch and when they were needed. Mike Gauthier and Chris Lynch, the Senior Co-Captains, provided many spectacular moves and tallied a few goals too.

Who can forget Dave Williamson's steady performance in the defense? How about Chris Roukas' right foot. Some say it's the only one he has.

Despite his prominent right foot, the ironic thing is his goal scoring capacity. Roukas contributed to the Owls offensive attack, but even though he hammered home nine goals, he didn't get an assist all season long. Roukas isn't really that selfish, it's just that none of his passes were converted into goals.

The goal tending duties which were shared by Kim Shea and Ken Kelly were far above average. Shea seemed to have hot hands and saw more action at the end of the season, but

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Bogan Tells His Side of Women's Track Story, Cites Unfairness

By Scott M. Danzig

Athletic Director Paul Bogan is denying charges made by members of the woman's track team in the Sept. 29 issue of The Owl. Bogan said the story was unfair and untrue.

"What many people fail to realize is that I sent three girls to compete in the Codfish race even before women's track was mentioned here," Bogan asserted.

Cindy Sousa, a spokesman for the women's track club said at the December 16, 1976 meeting of the Athletic Council that a budget report would be submitted in the Spring for the 77-78 season for Cross Country, Winter Track, and Spring Track. The budget was supposed to be for the three Varsity sports, but in actuality all she did was submit a temporary budget for 1977.

The Athletic Council accepted Sousa's report.

At the December 16th meeting Professor Raymond T. Ourand of the Athletic Council made a motion that the Athletic Council allocate $360 for equipment for the women members of the track team. This motion was seconded by Steve Goulet, a student member of the Council. The motion was passed seven votes for, and one abstention.

A motion was then made by Dean Hierschbe and seconded by Steve Goulet that $300-$400 be allocated to hire an Assistant Track Coach whose primary responsibilities would be to organize and promote a women's track program. This motion was passed.

At first a woman was hired and she accepted the position until she was offered a better position elsewhere.

"The girls then came to me and asked for Don Buckley," Bogan said. "Through no fault of his own he couldn't hold practice until 5:30 p.m. because of his job."

"He did a fine job, and he's a really great guy," Bogan added.

"Buckley submitted a budget report in late May, after the season and after the last meeting of the Athletic Council. This budget report will be submitted at the next meeting," Bogan said.

The last meeting of the Athletic Council was May 16, 1977. "We haven't had one yet this year, and I don't even know when the next one is planned for," Bogan added.

"Buckley did get paid for his work, but the office of personnel held his check because the Board of Trustees never met to approve it," Bogan said, "and it's a shame because his work was completed...I didn't find out about it until he called me, so he couldn't be paid until September."

"Since there is only one track team the girls know they'll never make it against the men, and we know it too," Bogan said.

"The suggestion I made to them was starting with Cross Country this year they could have a varsity team immediately because they only need about ten members for a team."

"At this time there are three or four girls that I know of that are training under Coach Gravel and who have run in several meets."

"Funds were provided for these girls from the track budget on Mr. Gravel's recommendation," Bogan said.

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Runners Place

Westfield, using it's depth to good advantage, placed second in the Mass. State College Conference Cross Country Championships, last Saturday, at Franklin Park, Boston. Westfield State placed four men in the top ten and seven in the top fifteen to score 41 points to winner Boston State's 30. Junior co-captain Bob Grandfield led the way for Westfield, placing third behind Jim Stronach and Steve Hunt of Boston. Stronach, the winner, toured the Franklin Park course in 25:25. Also finishing in the top ten for Westfield were frosh Scott O'Brien (8th), Scott Bissaillon (9th), and Jim Dillon (10th). Rounding out the scoring for the Owl's were Jim McGilloway (11th), Bob Quintal (14th), and Dan Buckley (15th). At the two-mile mark the race was a toss-up. However, over the last three miles, the Boston State runners moved into commanding positions, capturing four of the top six spots to clinch the victory. Westfield was without the services of it's top runner, Kevin Crowley, who was recovering from an illness. Without Crowley, Westfield did not have the strength to break up Boston's top runners.

Westfield State returned to Franklin Park this Saturday to compete in the Eastern Championship against 25 other colleges from throughout New England.

Owls Have Best Fall

The Westfield State College Baseball team finished their rain soaked fall season with an overall record of 21-3-1.

Ironically, the baseball Owls lost their last three games of the season. Prior to that wet and losing weekend they were 21-0-1. The biggest wins of the training season were at Sacred Heart winning 3-2 in 14 innings, defeating Oneonta College (SUNY) in the opening round of the Albany Fall Tournament (the rest of the rounds were rained out) and doubleheader victories over North Adams State and Eastern Conn. North Adams State has been able to defeat Westfield only once in three years during both the Fall and Spring seasons with the varsity playing. Other impressive games for the Owls were losses to Springfield College 2-1 in 10 innings and 5-2 to Siena. The only other loss was a 10-0 drubbing by Siena with the tie coming at the hands of the Alumni.

Leading the hitters this fall were, sophomore Mike Ciampa (.456) heir apparent to Dave Tabin, senior shortstop Dave Clivio (.368), sophomore Dave Bevan (.395), and senior co-captain Fred Simm, hitting at .310. Others who had solid performances were senior first baseman Gary Beard, junior catcher Alex Masel, sophomore second baseman, Bob Verdolino, sophomore outfielder, Kevin Moore, and junior outfielder Joe Seckler.

The pitching corps was led by Fred Simm and Butch Lamagdelaine. Senior righthander Bob Moniz had a limited fall due to a football injury, but pitched extremely well. Junior righthander Casey Barry also pitched well for the Owls. Newcomers who showed promise were Kevin Foley, Bob Sullivan and Steve Periera.

According to Coach Magarian, "the Fall Season accomplished what it was supposed to, to totally prepare us for our Spring Season. We had big holes to fill up and I think the holes are completely gone." Other players who did not have great seasons this fall, but who will be depended upon greatly in the Spring are seniors Bob Benn, co-captain Bob Mayo and sophomore lefthander Mark Spencer. "I don't even think about these guys, I know they will be ready and do the job I expect of them. Their statistics were not good, but their overall play was very good."

Our freshmen team will be the strongest ever here at Westfield. So far we have been fortunate that our overall program has produced several outstanding players and successful teams the past 3-4 years. In the spring of 1978 the baseball Owls will shoot for their straight NCAA Tournament. Last year only a matter of inches kept Westfield from going to the College World Series. For now....it's rest, until the last week of January when we begin to prepare for the opening trip south during the second week of March.

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Women Go Down At End

by Maureen McMahon

Despite an 8-1-1 record, the women's field hockey team was not invited to participate in the EAIAW-USFHA tournament.

The tournament committee said the Owls did not play competitive enough teams. They stated that the field hockey team would have to play schools such as U-Mass. and Springfield College to be eligible for the tournament. However, according to Susie Lehto, a member of the team, big schools do not want to play Westfield because a victory against the Owls wouldn't mean much but a loss would.

The field hockey team, although they did not have a game with Springfield College, scrimmaged against them. The result was a tie. The Owls also scrimmaged with a U-Mass. club consisting of two women and the rest men. This scrimmage also ended in a tie, 2-2.

The committee also said that if Westfield played U-Conn and defeated them, the Owls would have a good chance of being invited to the tournament. However, due to rain on the scheduled date, the WSC-U-Conn game was cancelled until Nov. 7, too late to be considered in tournament invitations. The Owls lost the game 5-0, giving the team their only loss. Since the loss occurred after tournament choices the women's field hockey team was undefeated when the tournament selections were made.

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Soccer Standings

through November 12th

MEN

American Soccer League	
1. Houston	5-0-0
2. N. J. C.	4-1-0
3. 20 - 20's	3-2-0
4. Headers	2-2-2
5. Amnesia	2-3-1
6. Goon Platoon	1-2-2
7. Spew	1-3-1
8. S.P.O.N.G.E.	1-3-1
9. Wild Turks	1-3-1

NATIONAL Soccer League	
1. Newark	5-0-0 *
2. A W T	4-1-0
3. Conventioneers	2-2-1
4. Machine	2-2-1 *
5. Seamen	1-2-0 *
6. Berkshire Rats	0-1-2 *
7. Guttercats	0-2-2
8. Bernies	0-5-0

* game results in question

WOMEN

1. Flyswatters	4-0-1
2. Pike Porkers	5-2-0
3. T N S	3-1-0
4. Walkers	3-2-0
5. Bushbangers	2-1-0
6. No Names	2-2-1
7. Amateurs	1-2-2
8. Rookies	1-3-1
9. Pits	0-4-1
10. Miserable B's	0-4-1

Please note: The rained out games of Tuesday, November 8th will be made up Monday, November 21st .....in the same order/time as previously scheduled.

Int. Soccer Notes

THE SOCCER LEAGUES PLAYOFFS WILL BEGIN MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28th... all top four teams in all divisions will be entered in the playoffs (men and women).

*****BASKETBALL ROSTERS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29th.. 6 P.M.*****

Jim's Return Marks Big Day

By Mark Morris

The first pleasant Saturday in weeks and a warm gathering of friends greeted the return of Jimmy Banacos to Westfield State.

Intramural director Ken Magarian planned a full day of activities to welcome back Jim and his family. The activities started with a flag football game between the Intramural champs Professorlactics and an all-star team comprised of players from the other teams. The Pros kept their winning ways and defeated the upstart all-stars 25-12. After the game both teams huddled around Jim's wheelchair and presented him with the game ball. Jim said he was impressed with the quality of football the two teams played.

During halftime of the football game, the first annual Jimmy Banacos Road Race began and just 34:39 later, Stetson Arnold of Southwick broke the victory string. Rick Walls of Lee finished second and Steve Snover of Westfield placed third. The course covered six miles.

The Diabloes State Championship Marching Band entertained the people after the game.

Later in the afternoon a testimonial was held in Scanlon where Jimmy returned the trophy named in his honor.

Jimmy is currently attending UMass/Boston and hopes to complete his B.A. in Psychology this May.

When the Banacos family returned Jim's mother Toula sent a letter of thanks to Magarian (she also sent one to the Owl, see letters page). The letter is excerpted below:

"The day started out being somewhat difficult because of so many past memories (at WSC). However, you and Jane (Magarian's wife) helped ease this. Seeing all the changes that have taken place amazed us. It is one of the nicest and prettiest campuses we have seen...As Jim said, 'Westfield is beautiful but more importantly, I have been so fortunate to have made such good and lasting friends'. We agree and along with Jim extend our heartfelt thanks for having made such a day possible."

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Who is Is Larry Locker?

by Mark Morris

I am not Larry Locker.

In fact, the one person who kows the identity of the mysterious columnist, won't tell me.

It is understandable that I would be a likely suspect for being old LL, but I am not.

Recently, we've been discussing, "Who, indeed, is Larry Locker?" There are various theories to this question. One theory is that Larry might be a woman. But this does not seem to be correct because the coverage of men's sports is too detailed for that possibility. Another theory holds that Larry Locker is a male who knows a female involved in women's sports thereby feeding him information.

Then there is yet another theory. This one holds that Larry Locker is made up of three, possible four people who canvas the sports scene then meet and put the column together. But that theory is suspect too because the organization needed to pull something like that off seems impossible.

The final product always looks the same. Whoever types the column is the same person who typed it last year. The style is the same. Locker is even getting more mysterious when he turns the column in to the Owl office. For example, one week Editor Paul LeBlanc found it stuck under the outside mirror of his car. The last time I found the column stuck in an envelope with a bunch of material I don't think Magarian is Locker.

After checking the way Magarian writes, and reading the criticism of him in Locker's column, it's reasonably safe to assume that Magarian is not the one. The people who work in his office are not above suspicion, however, as it was obviously one of them who delivers material to the Owl.

So the question remains, Who is Larry Locker? Is he (or she or them) someone from the Intramural office? Or maybe a very clever Magarian? Or Woodsy? Or someone else we haven't even considered? The mystery remains for the unknown locker dweller.

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Westfield May go to Nationals

After a disappointing finish in the New England Intercollegiate Championships on November 5th, co-captain Bob Grandfield said he thinks Westfield will go to the Nationals despite the results. In the Easterns Championships, the Owls fared much better.

Grandfield, running the finest race of his career, led Westfield State to a respectable 9th place finish out of the 24 teams entered in the Easterns Championships at Franklin Park. Grandfield's 18th place finish earned him a place on the All-Eastern Team and qualifies him for the NCAA III Championships in Cleveland, Ohio. Granfield thus becomes the second qualifier for the Nationals, as Kevin Crowley qualified earlier in the season. Other scorers for Westfield included Jim McGilloway (41st), Scott Bissaillon (45th), Jim Dillon (72nd), and Scott O'Brien (85th).

In the freshmen section of the meet, the Westfield State frosh pulled off a stunning upset with a second place finish. Westfield scored 96 points to finish two points ahead of Brandeis and on the heels of winner Southern Connecticut. Bob Quintal led the way for Westfield with a 6th place effort.

Standings as of 11/9/77

	WINS	LOSSES
1. Guttercats	10	0
2. JJ's	9	1
3. TNS	8	3
4. Good News	7	2
5. Trackies	7	4
6. Burnouts	6	3
7. Human Error	6	3
8. Guys & Dolls	6	4
9. C3PO	4	4
10. Invincibles	4	4
11. Tang	4	4
12. Gumballs	4	4
13. No Names	4	5
14. Heads & Tails	4	5
15. A-Moose	3	6
16. RECers	3	6
17. Losers	3	6
18. Berkshire Rats	3	7
19. Sibannac's	2	7
20. Zips	1	9
21. Nuts, Bolts, n' Screws	0	10

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Westfield State Open Swim Meet

Recreation - Intramural Athletics

REGISTER AT OFFICE BY, Tuesday, Nov. 29th

EVENTS

- FREESTYLE • 50 Yard • 100 Yard • 200 Yard
- Back Stroke
- Breast Stroke • 50 & 100 Yard
- Butterfly
- RELEYS • 100 Yard Freestyle • 200 Yard Freestyle • Team Medley • 200 Yard Mixed Freestyle • Individual Medley
- DIVING
  - 3 Dives
  - 2 Compulsory
  - 1 Individual

SEPERATE MENS & WOMENS DIVISIONS FOR ALL EVENTS

Trophies To all Winners

COMPETITION TO BE HELD

WEDNESDAY..NOVEMBER30th.....Beginning at 3:30 P.M.

NOTE: If less than three participants sign up for an event, that event will be scatched.

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Hockey Team skates toward consistency

by Mark Morris

"We've got some work to do," said Owl hockey coach Mike Holubowich assessing the first month of the new season.

He criticized the team's lack of consistency in the defensive department. He directed his criticism not only at the defensive players, but the forwards as well for not getting back quick enough to help the defense.

On the positive side, the third year coach said, "We've added a lot of depth to our team this year." All the Prep schools players who received a great deal of press earlier this season have not performed up to their expectations. Holubowich feels that this was due partly to the individual style of hockey taught at prep schools, as opposed to the team style taught at Westfield State. The coach also said a great deal of pressure was put on them when they first arrived and once they've become familiar with Holubowich's system, their performances should improve.

Despite all the criticism, Westfield State has won their first four Division II games. Their only loss was at Salem St. where the Vikings defeated the Owls 10-4.

Leading the way on offense again this season is the line of Jim Collins, Bob Heyner and Paul Bracken. Though it is a young line, Collins and Bracken are sophmores and Heyner is a freshman, Holubowich is very confident with them. Paul Liberty, Kevin Falvey and Mike Davis make up the second line. The coach refers to the Liberty line as the experienced line. Liberty and Falvey are seniors and Davis is a junior. Skating on the third line are Jim O'Donovan, Rich Crowley and Kevin Prowse. The other forwards are, Paul DeBlanc, Dan Brown, Ken Girouard, Don LaBella and Ray Lyons.

On Defense Holubowich said he feels sophmore Dave Kenny is playing defense better than most of the people he has seen. The other defensemen are, Kevin Girouard, Dan Walker, John Barrett, Andy Hevey, Bill Spears and Win Story.

Guarding the nets for the Owls are Bob Austin, Curt Everett and Mike Shields.

The Owls were scheduled to play two teams from Sweden that were touring the United States but the Swedes can not come this year due to a lack of funds. Holubowich said he was enthusiastic about playing them next year because "good competition makes your team play better."

Due to scheduling conflicts with other campus sports and bad weather, Holubowich mentioned that the fans at the Olympia in West Springfield were not many. The coach encourages students to take a look at this year'steam.

Holubowich predicts a better performance after semester break. The team will add four players to their roster. Dick Hamel, one of the players led Westfield in scoring two years ago.

The coach is looking forward to the second half of the season. He stressed defense because "We're becoming too much of an offensive club."

In summing up, Holubowich said, "We have a tendency to think we've improved but we forget that other schools have improved also."

Women Cagers off to Fast Start This Year

DEC. 1977

by Maureen McMahon
Westfield State's Women's basketball team is off to a fine start. A 64-56 victory over Holy Cross College and a 71-40 thrashing of Amherst College have given the Owls an impressive beginning.

Coach Mary Masucci is looking forward to a winning season. She stresses that the Owls have a "much harder schedule than in the past," but remains optimistic about future games and entry into the playoffs.

Tough schools on this year's schedule include Central Connecticut, Worcester State, and Eastern Connecticut. While these teams may prove difficult to defeat, Masucci is confident about her team's ability and anticipates her share of victories.

This season will be difficult to predict because many colleges are offering basketball scholarships to women. If schools on this year's schedule have recruited players in this way, winning may prove to be harder against such teams.

The Owls have in their favor what Masucci calls a "good schedule", and she also stated that the team has better balance this year in that they are not center-oriented like last year. According to Masucci, there are "four or five girls who can shoot from anywhere on the court."

Although the women do not posess great height-the tallest player is 5'11" and the average height of the women is only 5'7"-Masucci remains optimistic. Defense is stressed because of the size of the women, but the offence potential is there. Masucci stresses "what we lack in height we compensate for with good speed", thus indicating her confidence of a winning season for the Owls.

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Guttercats Win V-Ball Finals, Sweep TNS

The Guttercats Co-Rec Volleyball Team captured the 1977 Intramural Athletic Championship with a convincing sweep of the TNS squad in the championship game. The undefeated Guttercats edged the spirited TNS team in the ly dominated play in the second contest by whipping the TNS crew 11-5. TNS gained a berth in the finals by beating Tang; 15-4, 4-10, and 14-4. TNS also beat J & J 15-4, 10-12, and 10-8. The champion Guttercats edged Human Error 11-9, 4-11, and 10-8. The champions also downed the Guys and Dolls 10-12, 13-6 and 9-7. Members of the championship team are: Deb Wilson, Ray Lyons, Ed Stake, Paul Daigle, Mike Barbera, Sue Lehto, Doreen Plante, Lisa Corbitt, and Mike Phillips. The final standings are below.

Dr. T. Captures Three

Once again, and three out of the last four years, Dr. T. Fantasia won three Badminton Championships in the recent Badminton Tour. here at Westfield State. Fantasia copped the Womens' Singles for the fifth straight year as well as the Womens' Doubles with Dr. Marta VanAllen. Dr. T. kept up her brisk pace by teaming with Val Wilder (1977 City Tennis Champion/star on the WSC Tennis Team) to win the Mixed Doubles. Val Wilder, only in his rookie season for Badminton, beat out Jeff Doty for the Men's Singles championship. Jeff won the singles last year. Doty teamed up with Jim Carter to win the Mens' Doubles. Each year the competition is getting stronger with new and better players entered in the Recreation-Intramural Athletic Tournament.

Recreation-Intramural Office Announces:

Record 66 B-Ball Teams

The Recreation-Intramural Basketball League has opened with the annual Jamboree and setting a new record with 66 teams this season. There are 40 mens' teams and 26 womens' entered in the competitive and recreation leagues. All teams are playing two Jamboree games these weeks prior to the Christmas vacation and will begin the regular season as soon as the second semester begins in January. Games are played at the Juniper Park Gym Monday through Thursday beginning at 4:30 p.m. each afternoon and concluding at 9:30. Games are also played each night at the college gym beginning at 8:30 p.m.

Rink Open This Month

It has been announced from the Recreation-Intramural Athletic Office that there will be two ice skating rinks this year for the college community. Work on the rinks are being scheduled to begin the end of December. Both rinks will be adjacent to each other forming a giant L. One part will be strictly reserved for children, recreation and figure skating. The other rink will be kept just for hockey throughout the season. It is hoped the city of Westfield will again co-operate with the school officials of the Recreation-Intramural Office in preparing and upkeep the rinks. The only other factor is the weather.

Ski Trip Planned

The Recreation-Intramural Office has announced that a Special Ski Week-end will be planned for the last part of January or the first part of February in the second semester. Full lodging and meals will be accomadated for and lift tickets will also be included. All students interested in this special trip should sign up at the office. More detailed information will be released the beginning of the second term.

Final Days

Friday, December 16th will mark the close for anyone wishing to participate in the Otis Ridge Ski package being offered WSC students. Those interested must get in touch with Mr. Magarian as soon as possible.

Water Polo Next Month

Fourteen Water Polo Teams have been entered in this years dual leagues. One league will be competative while the other will be recreational. The league will also take teams the initial week classes resume in January. The regular scheduled season will get underway the third week of January.

For more information about these announcements contact:

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Improved All Around

Owls Start Rookies

by Mark Morris

With six freshmen the Westfield State basketball team has started a new and improved season.

After two tournaments and four conference games, the Owls have a 4-4 overall record, 3-1 in the Mass. State College Conference.

The freshmen on this year's squad have performed well off the bench and in starting roles. Wilbert Daniels, Steve Bartello, Frank Britto, Dan Cuddy, Bob Westbrook and Kevin Foley have all helped the team with their ability in clutch situations.

Second year coach Steve Sartori is obviously pleased with his first year men.

In a victory over Framingham State, Cuddy scored four straight points when the Owls were coming back from a ten point halftime deficit. In the same game Westbrook grabbed five rebounds, all in the second half.

Steve Bartello performing in the clutch at both ends of the court helped to defeat Salem State 84-78.

Wilbert Daniels scored 19 points and pulled down 11 rebounds in the Owls 89-84 victory over Worcester State.

Beside such fine play by the newcomers, the veterans are having fine seasons as well.

Sophmore Tim Farrell was named to the all tournament teams in both the Codfish Bowl in Boston and the Mayor's Tournament in Springfield. Against Worcester recently he scored 16 points and had 11 rebounds.

Co-captains Ed Deveau and Ralph Smith are also off to fine seasons. Deveau who is known for his rebounding had a season high 16 rebounds against Framingham earlier this year. Smith who usually plays guard, pulled down 12 bounds against Western New England College.

Tim Murphy, Bob Flieger, George Gaouette, Larry Kurpaska and Billy Reilly have also combined in this season of team basketball.

In the game against Salem State, Farrell, Westbrook and Flieger fouled out with plenty of time left in a game that was close from the opening tipoff. The bench performances mentioned above were very significant as well as ten straight foul shots by Deveau, six of which came with less than two minutes left in the game.

If the Owls can maintain the combination of a strong bench behind their proven performers, they could be a true challenge to schools like AIC and Boston State. Both teams beat the Owls earlier this year and both are planning to visit Westfield later in the season.

Soccer Pre-Empted

Teams can beat teams, and players can beat players, but nobody can beat the weather. It may be a first for Recreational-Intramurals, but possibly the finals of the 1977 soccer Playoffs will not be played until April. With six playoffs games still to be played, the Astro-Turf field now has over 4 inches of ice and snow on it. If the depth of the snow ever gets down to 1 inch, the games may be resumed, but that is doubtful. A game was played in the snow storm last week and saw the teams go into double overtime with Houston edging Sponge 1-0 in what turned out to be one of the best games of the playoffs.

For now, the contending teams will have to wait for either less snow, or April. The games will be played and there will be a mens' and womens' champion.

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Owls in fourth straight NCAA tournament

The Evening News,

sterling reusing .438 average. Simm slugged out 12 extra base hits; carried a .425 mark at the plate and a team-leading .703 slugging percentage. During one week in May, he produced 14 hits in 18 plate appearances and earned Player of the Week honors in the ECAC.

Five additional starters also hit over .300 topped by Mike Campos's .350 mark. Sophomores Bob Verdolino, Dave Bryan and Kenny Moore stroked the ball at .349, .346 and .343. Alex Masel produced a .317 average.

Though he struggled at the plate with a .192 mark, Mike Sanson turned in what Magarian said was, "One of the finest played shortstops I've seen at Westfield."

Every pitcher on the staff had a winning record headed by the eight wins by Moniz. Mark Spencer, a soph from Lynn, posted a 5-1 mark with solid performances over the second half of the schedule. Ed LaMagdelaine finished 5-2 after a strong showing during the first half.

Steve Pereira recorded a school record seven saves in a freshman role, pitching 12 innings in nine outings.

And while Simm was racking opposing pitchers for a .490 mark, he also picked up five pitching victories and a 3.27 ERA.

The team will leave the city on Friday and work out that afternoon in Willimantic. Should the Owls advance into the second round, the team will be at Eastern until Tuesday. If weather [illegible] games, Westfield will return to action.

"This Northeast [illegible] games," said Magarian. "You really can't afford [illegible] on. If you do, you're [illegible]."

Westfield will be [illegible] regional for the third time [illegible] the opening game in '75, the [illegible] losers bracket before being [illegible] Last season, they lost in the [illegible]

And if the fan has a [illegible] baseball, many former players go [illegible] professional ball, [illegible]

Added Magarian, "[illegible] Mass. is interested in [illegible] thinking of [illegible] contacted by the [illegible] of the top baseball [illegible] divisions. Westfield [illegible]

Westfield State [illegible] Mississippi and [illegible] the polls. Fred [illegible] Smalley, Reggie [illegible] day.

A four year grand slam

Westfield State players, from left, Dave Clivio, Fred Simm, Bob Moniz, Bob Bean, Gary Beard and Mike Sanson get together for a few minutes of congratulations after learning the Owls will be in the NCAA tournament this weekend for an unprecedented fourth consecutive year. Westfield will open Northeast region play Saturday against old foe Ithaca College at Eastern Connecticut State College.

WSC's Simm gains league MVP honors

WESTFIELD — Fred Simm, star third basemen and pitcher for the Westfield State College baseball team has been named League Most Valuable Player by the Massachusetts State College Conference.

Fred was named as one of the All-Conference Pitchers along with Bob Moniz of WSC and Steve Hartery of North Adams and Glenn Chatterton of Bridgewater State. Both Hartery and Chatterton gave Westfield tough games each time they pitched.

Simm, one of the co-captains of the '78 Owls, made many contributions to the great success Westfield State baseball has enjoyed in the past years. He was New England Player of the week in both 1977 and again this year. The latter was the result of his binge of getting 14 of 18 possbile hits one week with eight of them being extra base hits (four home runs!).

He batted that week .778 and pitched and won a complete game. Fred was also named to the second team of the All New England picks this past month. He also had had the highest batting average (.426) of any regular third basemen in New England; playing 35 games with 101 official at bats.

Simms also was named team MVP for the baseball Owls this year.

For **Bob Moniz**, it is All-Conference team number three. Bob has won many awards this season and throughout his great baseball career at Westfield State College. Bob's fine 8-0 regular season record and his 2.01 era had much to do with his nomination.

He was also a second team All-New England selection this year. He had been picked to the All New England squad on two previous years. For sophomore **Kevin Moore**, the choice was a bit of a surprise. The young outfielder from Walpole, won a regular job with the club in the fall season of 1977, but still had to wait a while for some regular action in the '78 campaign. Once Kevin got into the line-up, he just couldn't be taken out. For a critical two weeks of the season, Kevin was one of the most productive and important hitters and outfielders for the Westfield nine.

The forgotten man seems always to be WSC's **Gary Beard**. It seemed the competition for first base this year was very unusual and unfortunate for Beard. Although he batted .434 (a school record) and played 39 games with 122 official at bats and also had a fielding percentage of .989, Gary was left off this all star team also.

Tough luck seems to be the rule instead of the exception, but what Gary has done at WSC in his career is evidence enough of what kind of player he was.

Another player who was unable to be recognized was sophomore center fielder **Mike Ciampa** of Reading. Mike finished up the season with an average of .342, playing in 38 games (the other two games he was bedridden and unable to get up) with 123 at bats and 19 stolen bases. But all these great stats mean nothing as to the games Mike saved with his great defensive ability in centerfield. Six or more games were won outright by Mike alone with his catches.

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MARIAN (TULLY) MCGEE '78

Record-holding shortstop

Marian (Tully) McGee was a star shortstop during the early years of softball at Westfield State College.

McGee played from 1975 to 1978, compiling a then school record .414 career batting average. She still holds school records for most runs scored (49), most triples (5), and most runs batted in (35). All three records were set during her stellar freshman season in 1975 when she led Westfield State to an 18-2 record and the Mass. State Conference championship. McGee batted .500 and slugged six home runs during her rookie year.

The Holyoke native was a team captain in 1978 when the Owls were crowned MAIAW champions with a record of 14-11. Westfield State posted an aggregate record of 49-28 during her four years.

McGee was actively involved in sports at Holyoke Catholic High School as a four-year participant in softball, swimming and cheerleading.

The South Hadley resident has been an elementary school teacher in Holyoke for the past 10 years. She has coached youth soccer and basketball teams.

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WSC trackmen earn honors

WESTFIELD—The Westfield State College Track team recently came up with its most positive performance of the indoor season, as it placed three performers in the Eastern Indoor Track Championships at Southern Connecticut State College.

Two Westfield State track team members achieved All-New England College Division honors by finishing in the top three in their respective events. A third WSC runner placed in the meet.

Luis Bosbach, Westfield State's ace in the jumps, came up with a school-record performance of 46 feet 9¼ inches to take third in the triple jump. Also receiving honors in the meet was WSC's Bruce Labonte, who raced to a third-place finish with a personal best of 1:15.2 in the 600-yard run. Quarter-miler Pete Davenport also scored a personal best with a fifth-place, 51.9 performance.

Making it to the finals but failing to place for Westfield State were Joe Mandile in the shot put and Ron Lake in the 880. Mandile's throw of 47 feet 8 inches established a new school record for the event.

This weekend, Westfield State will travel to Harvard University for the New England Indoor Championships. Qualifying for the meet and competing on Sunday will be Bosbach in the triple jump and Luis Pizzaro in the high hurdles.

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Owls shrug off illness for tonight

By Bob Ferri
Evening News Sports Editor

WESTFIELD — Mike Holubowich gladly would take on himself every case of flu on his team right about now.

The Westfield State College hockey coach usually has a team that doesn't have to be 100 percent healthy for an opponent. The Owls have flown to a 9-0 ECAC Division II mark and have perched on an 11-1 overall record.

The WSC skaters have been through sickness and injury and still have come up big. Tonight's opponent isn't like most of the Owls' counterparts, though. When Westfield State faces off against American International College at 30 at the Olympian it's going to face one of the toughest Division II squads in this part of the country.

"I'll be able to put a team out there but I don't know how strong they'll be," the WSC mentor groaned.

Though Holubowich and his charges don't consider tonight's outcome to be pivotal as far as their season is cerned, they agree that a win tonight could be a tremendous psychological boost.

Though the Owls have become one of the best Division II teams in the East, they have a history of trouble with Division II opponents. And tonight it's one of the best in each division going head to head.

"The kids are up for it," Holubowich said. "They've got a positive attitude about it. They're confident in their abilities."

AIC is 10-4 in its division, good for third place. The Yellow Jackets have compiled an 11-4 overall mark.

The Owls have scored 87 goals and have allowed but 23. The Jackets have pumped in 75 tallies but have yielded 45.

"Their strong suit is that they're big," Holubowich said of tonight's opponent. "They're a physical team and have a strong positional game. And they have a lot of firepower."

Holubowich noted that the Owls have planned to forsake their usual wide-open style for a more defensive approach.

"We're gonna try to play a safer game," he said. "We'll try to play their wings a lot tighter. We'll try to keep them off the boards."

So the battle of the giants is tonight. It should be interesting.

WSC outguns Boston State skaters

WESTFIELD — A goaltenders' battle, it wasn't. But a win, it was.

A win for the Westfield State College hockey team, that is. The Owls and Boston State rifled puck after puck at each other Thursday night and when the smoke had cleared, WSC had come away with a 10-7 victory.

The Owls, who have not been in the position to come back much this season, rattled off five goals in the third period to pull out the win.

Paul Bracken found the mark for three goals and Paul LeBlanc added a pair to propel the Owls. Dave Kenney, Andy Hevey, Bill Spears, Jimmy Collins and Dick Hamel chipped in with singletons for Westfield State.

Don Harrington and Mark Barrett each accounted for two Boston State markers. James Murphy, Tom O'Neil and Bill Curley also managed to slip the pick past WSC goaltender Curt Everett.

Westfield State, which was on the short end of a 4-1 count after the first period, rallied to just a 6-5 disadvantage before the end of the second. Spears, Collins and Hamel turned on the red light before LeBlanc mopped up with his two in the game's final minute.

The Owls remained in cruising gear with the victory. Westfield State stands at 15-0 in ECAC Division III and holds a 17-2 overall record.

WSC pays a visit to Trinity College Saturday night for a 7:30 encounter.

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WSC stars hope to shine Friday in ice tourney

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By Bob Ferri
Evening News Sports Editor

WEST SPRINGFIELD — "The momentum on this team is unbelievable," Curt Everett said during a break in practice Wednesday afternoon.

The Westfield State College goaltender and his teammates are going to need a season of momentum Friday night for the opening round of the ECAC Division III tournament. The Owls, figured to be the favorite in the four-team tourney, face Iona at nine at the Olympia. Framingham State and Trinity square off at six in the event's opening encounter.

The momentum to which Everett was referring has manifested itself in a 14-0 divisional record and an 18-2 overall mark. WSC coach Mike Holubowich was had no reservations about the two biggest reasons for the Owls' success.

One is Everett.

"If Curt's not selected a first-team all-star this year, it's a classic case of highway robbery," Holubowich snapped. "He's probably one of the fiercest competitors I've ever seen in any category." Everett compiled a 3.40 goals-against mark and a 10-1 record in 11 games to rank as the top goalie in the division this season.

The second reason is Division III's top line: Jimmy Collins, Paul Bracken and Ken Girouard. Collins notched 25 goals and 48 assists for 73 points to earn the division's scoring championship. Bracken (30-28—58) and Girouard (18-25—43) gave the opposition little chance to key on Collins.

The three made it obvious that cohesiveness is the key to the unit's success. "You set goals for yourself and you just go out and get them," Girouard shrugged. "We know we're gonna get five or six points a game," Bracken added. "We think that the growth of the team is growth of ourselves," Collins concluded.

The Owls hope to grow a little more Friday night.

Aim for title

These members of the Westfield State College hockey team are hoping for an ECAC Division III championship this weekend at the Olympia. From left, Paul Bracken (the most recent Division III Player of the Week), Ken Girouard, Curt Everett, coach Mike Holubowich and Jimmy Collins discuss the tourney.

(Evening News — Bob Ferri)

WSC hockey coach blasts all-star voting

By Scott M. Danzig
Evening News Correspondent 3/20/78

WESTFIELD — Seldom does a team dominate its division the way the Westfield State hockey team did and have such a poor representation on the All Star team.

Kevin Girouard was selected to the first team defense, and Jim Collins and Paul Bracken made the second team offense.

"I was surprised that we didn't have a handful of players on the team, but I'm especially pleased that Kenny (Girouard) was selected, because he plays the brand of hockey that only people who know hockey appreciate," Coach Mike Holubowich said.

Both Westfield and Framingham were overlooked in the All Star balloting, with the top three scorers in the ECAC Division III being selected to the second team, and all three overlooked as MVP candidates.

Dave O'Grean of the ECAC explained that the coaches in the division vote for the all stars.

"I don't see any other way of doing it," O'Grean said. "Division three doesn't get much publicity, so I can't see it being turned over to the press or anything."

Holubowich begs to differ. "What we have here is a twofold problem. First, there are 13 teams in our division that never even saw us play. The second problem is a backlash effect, that is how can a coach look at you objectively after you've beaten them say 16-2," he said.

"There are a few things that I just can't see. Is this team really representative of the best hockey in our division?

"I understand that a few teams didn't vote, but what I wonder is who the heck did.

"Another problem we've been faced with is the underdog syndrome. Maybe some coaches figure we had it good all year, and that they want to select somebody else to the team, but what many of them have forgotten is that we got kicked around for a few years too," Holubowich added.

Dave O'Grean offered the possibility that the statistics might have been inflated because of some lopsided victories, and offered the suggestion that coach Holubowich should encourage his fellow coaches to participate in the voting.

"Besides, statistics don't mean everything," O'Grean said.

"The Rookie of the Year selection is one that faked everybody out," the coach said, "a kid from Ramapo, wherever that is got it, and they don't even play an East Coast schedule. Not only that, they play mostly club teams."

The ECAC says that no club games are included in statistics, and that only ECAC games can be counted in the final stats.

"I think we need a new method of selecting our players, because I had to guys on my team that in my book were shoe-ins for the rookie honors, Holubowich said."

Both Ken Girouard, MVP in the Division III playoffs, and Kevin Prowse were among the top ten in scoring, and were important cogs in the Westfield attack, Prowse scoring 44 points, and Girouard (Kevin's twin brother) figured for 43 points.

"For my money either or both of these guys should have easily made Rookie of the Year," Holubowich said.

"I was totally disappointed that our goalie Curt Everett didn't make the team. I concede Walkowitz of Trinity is a good goalie, but I can't see selecting the Iona goalie after we beat them 17-2.

"The Iona goalie was instrumental in handing Framingham their first divisional loss," O'Grean said.

"It really got to me because Curt has led the division two years in a row now," Holubowich said.

"I don't really feel too bad about not making the team," Everett said, "we won it all and that's what counts, besides I know we'll be right up on top again next year."

"This is the attitude and the team spirit that prevails on our team," the coach beamed. "It's part of the reason why we're so successful.

"One thing that would solve all [illegible] problems is if we went Division II so [illegible] they appreciate good hockey [illegible] said.

Last year I thought the voting [illegible] suspect, and this year was even [illegible] don't ever see it reaching an [illegible] level.

"Here's a classic for you [illegible]

"They selected Brickley of [illegible] was sixth in scoring with [illegible] they overlook guys like Kerwin, [illegible] Bracken and Gordon."

O'Grean, on the other hand, [illegible] couldn't see a better choice than [illegible]

"The important thing is that we [illegible] division, and we're going to try [illegible] again next year."

"The thing that bothers me [illegible] deserving players were overlooked [illegible] top three scorers were only on [illegible] team," Holubowich said. "A lot [illegible] lose appreciation of the award

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Westfield State women smart from final-game hoop setback

WESTFIELD — The Westfield State College women's basketball team goes into tonight's tournament at Eastern Connecticut still smarting from Wednesday night.

The Owls finished their regular season with a 71-69 overtime loss to Smith College. Despite the finale loss, Westfield State managed to compile a 17-5 record over the course of the season.

Debbie Grzybo scored 16 points to lead the WSC charge. Cheryl Condon tallied 12 and Jeannie Borke added 11 for the Owls.

The teams reached a 58-58 decision at the end of regulation time.

Owl gunners

The Westfield State College women's basketball team: Front row (from left) — Cheryl Condon, Julie Brockelman, Nancy Janhunen and Jeanine Bourke. Middle row — Anne Sullivan, Tracy Phaneuf, Laurie Barron and Denise Fournier. Back row — manager Janet D'Entremont, manager Moe O'Connell, Pat Feazell, Patty Lane and Renee Fortier. Not pictured — Kathy Fitzgerald and Debbie Grzybo.

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WSC physical education instructor honored

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WESTFIELD—Tilia Fantasia of the Westfield State College Physical Education Department recently was honored by the Eastern District Association of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

The Association presented its Eastern District Award to her at its annual conference in Baltimore, Maryland, March 2.

The award is given for outstanding contributions, service and leadership. Dr. Fantasia has served the association as secretary-treasurer since 1975 and has been a force in the group's progress.

At Westfield, she has served as chairperson of the college's Physical Education Department and on many college committees.

Locally, she has served for 12 years on the executive board of the Greater Springfield Board of Women's Officials, as a liason to the Secondary School Principals of Massachusetts Association, and as a member of the Executive Committee for the Massachusetts Division of Girls' and Womens' Sports. She also has served as a member of the Westfield Community Swim Program, and, since 1969, on the board of directors of the Westfield American Red Cross.

Dr. Fantasia was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She attended Boston Bouve College and Tufts University, earning a bachelor of science degree. She received her masters degree from Tufts and a doctorate in education from Boston University. She joined the faculty at Westfield State College in 1966.

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Best in conference

WSC athletes bring back Smith Cup

WESTFIELD—The Smith Cup, a trophy symbolic of overall athletic excellence among the Massachusetts State Colleges, has been awarded to Westfield State College.

The college's teams have won the cup for three of the last five years.

Since June of 1971, the nine members of the Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference (MASCAC) have competed for the cup. It is named after former State College Trustee Howard Smith, a figure instrumental in the establishment of the MASCAC.

Scoring for the award is based on points given for the final conference standings of MASCAC teams. The top three competing colleges receive points towards their final totals.

The year 1976 was the first in which women's sports – including tennis, field hockey, basketball, volleyball, and softball -- were incorporated into the scoring system. In this way, the conference gained a unified approach to MASCAC competition.

Speaking of Westfield State's capture of the cup, Paul Bogan, WSC director of athletics, says "the points earned by the women really pushed us over the top."

High-scoring Westfield State teams responsible for bringing the Smith Cup to the college include those in cross country, soccer, baseball, field hockey, volleyball, softball, women's basketball, and men's and women's tennis.

The Smith Cup, symbol of athletic excellence among Massachusetts State Colleges, again resides at Westfield State College. Shown with the Smith Cup are WSC Director of Athletics, Paul Bogan, (left) and President Robert L. Randolph.

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It's official:

Westfield State takes Smith

WESTFIELD — Westfield State College continues its winning ways by again capturing the Smith Cup, a trophy symbolic of athletic excellence in all sports among the Massachusetts State Colleges. Teams from the college have won the cup for four of the last six years.

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High-scoring Westfield teams responsible for bringing the Smith Cup to the college include: baseball, field hockey, golf, ice hockey, spring track, volleyball, women's basketball, and both men and women's tennis.

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WSC's Jim O'Donovan (8) zeroes in on enemy netminder.

68 Shots On Goal

Icemen Flying High

By Jeff Connell

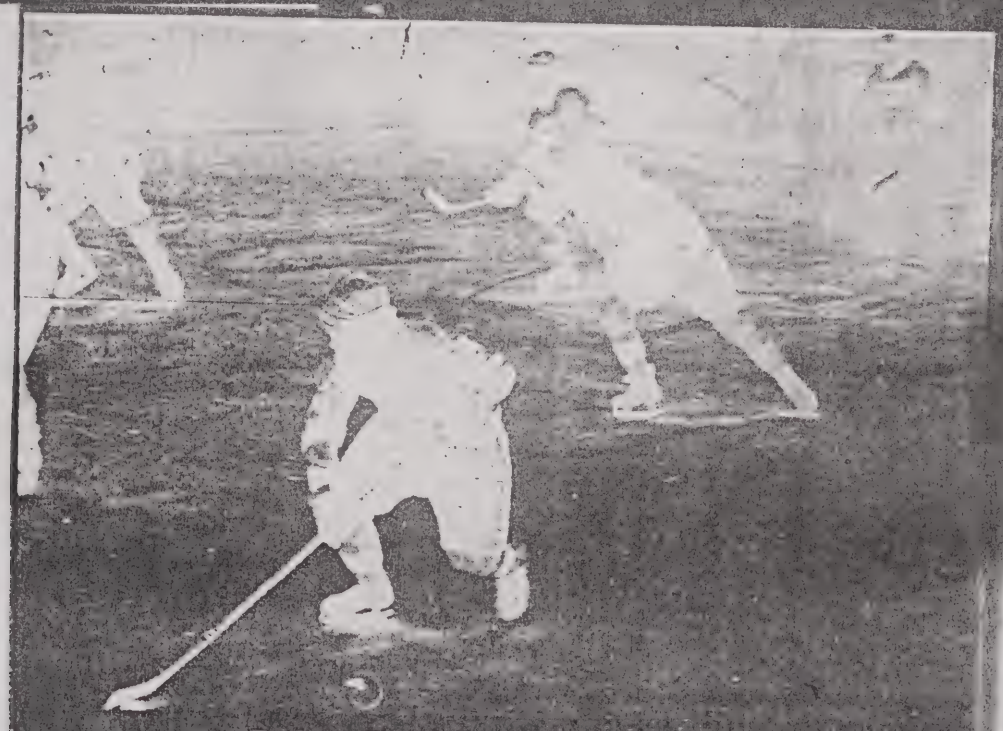
The Westfield State College hockey squad defeated Worcester State Jan. 18 in an away game, and continue to be ranked second in Division III behind Framingham State as of Jan. 21. The Owls bombarded two Lancers goalies with a phenominal 68 shots on net.

Freshman forward Paul LeBlanc scored 3 goals in the game for his second hat-trick in the last two games, and Paul Bracken and Kenny Girouard each had two goals. The victory upped the Owls record to an outstanding 7-1. WSC's only loss was to Division II powerhouse Salem State back in early December.

The Westfield hockey surge has been aided greatly by the Girouard brothers Kenny and Kevin. Both are transfer students from St. Anselms, a good hockey school in Division II. Kenny is an excellent skater, and fires a very accurate shot. He has always been a top scorer on any team he has been with. In Kenny's first game back as an Owl, he scored two goals and assisted on another. His brother Kevin is a big (6'1" 200 lbs.) defenseman, and a hard-hitter.

The Owls hit the road for away games at Quinnipiac on Jan. 29, and Fairfield University on February 1st, before returning home to take on AIC Feb. 4 in a 7:30 game at the Olympia in West Springfield.

On Feb. 7 WSC will play first place Framingham State at home in what has to be the biggest game of the season to that point.



Ray Lyons (24) of OWLS wheels out of his zone.

1st Annual Swimming & Diving Meet Sept. 1978 →

The First Annual Massachusetts State Colleges Open Swimming and Diving Meet.
Held at Bridgewater State College. . . Feb. 5th
All WSC students are eligible to participate.

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Women Show Promise

By Andre Elchalt

The Westfield State College Women's Gymnastic Team opened their 1978 season on a sour note when Northeastern University defeated Coach Bob Leclair's squad 108.65-102.60. Westfield started fast when Leclair's team completely dominated the floor exercises. First place went to Debbie Rice with a score of 7.7, 2nd place went to Cheryl Dean and a nice Decker placed third. In the vaulting competition, Freshman standout Decker tied for first, while teammate Mary O'Neil was a close second. Junior Susie Lehto placed second on the beam with a score of 6.7.

This year's team is very youth oriented. Only two members of the team are seniors. (Laurie Drake and Cheryl Dean) Debbie Rice and Co-Captains elect Marianne Simone and Susie Lehto round out the class of '79. The majority lies with the sophomores who are Melanie Voter, Sue Bird, Joanne LaLiberte and Mary O'Neil. The trio of newcomers to this year's team are Kathy Serpis, Sue LeBrun, and Janice Decker.

Coach Leclair is very pleased with his teams over-all performance so far this season. He believes that the scores from the last meet are concrete signs for progress. "All of last season we never broke 100 points", said LeClair, "In our first meet we not only broke 100 points, but we scored 13 points better than last years high of 89."

The gymnastics team's first home meet is on March 4 when W.S.C. takes on Salem State and R.I. College.

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Water Polo Action

Water Polo

Intramural water polo is off and running again at W.S.C. The interest in this first year sport is better than average and the swimming talent exhibited during these games are a sure sign of some real competitive games. It is good to see the school is using one of the better facilities available to them. Granted, the season is still young, but after watching a few of the established teams from last year play we are in for some super entertainment.

UPCOMING INTRAMURALS

FEBRUARY

Co-Rec Bowling
Basketball League
Outdoor Ice Skating
Skiing...Otis Ridge
Basketball Foul Shooting Tournament
Water Polo League

MARCH

Basketball 1 on 1 Tournament
Water Polo League Playoffs
Basketball League Playoffs
Indoor Hockey League... (Rosters Due)
Skiing...at Otis Ridge
Softball Rosters Due

APRIL

Indoor Hockey League
Tennis Tournament
Softball League
Hockey 1 on 1 Tournament
Night Outdoor Recreation Activities (At Turf: basketball, tennis)

MAY

Tennis Tournament
Softball League
Indoor Hockey Playoffs
Night Outdoor Recreation
Annual Awards Night

Recreation

Recreation-Intramural Athletics

ICE RINK FINALLY OPENS

What seemed like a long time finally made good with the opening of the Campus Skating Rink. The Rink opened more than two weeks ago and many students are taking advantage of excellent weather using the rink at all hours. The Rink is supervised 3-9 P.M. each day Monday through Friday and supervised by the City of Westfield on Week-ends from Noon through 9 P.M. weather permitting. The Rink will continue to operate until weather conditions say "Close Down". There are two or more seperate areas for both the Hockey players as well as the recreational skaters. The entire Campus community as well as the Western Avenue neighborhood are welcome to use the facility.

THE FLU KNOCKS OUT MANY GAMES

In the Intramural Basketball League, many teams have incurred forfeits due to the outbreak of the Flu. A final move will be made within a week. Teams unable to play because of the flu will be assesed a loss, but will not lose any of their forfeit fee. Those teams must notify the Office prior to their game so the proper cancellations can be made.

The Recreation-Intramural Department is looking into the possibility of taking one or two more teams into the season

THOSE INTERESTED IN CO-REC BOWLING AND THE FOUL SHOOTING CONTEST ARE ASKED TO INQUIRE AT THE INTRAMURAL OFFICE. Rosters and registrations are now being taken. The deadline for both of these activities will be Thursday, February 16th

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Hoop Upset

By Scott M. Danzig

The Owls Basketball team is on a mini rampage, winning 5 of its last eight games and losing the others by only one or two points.

W.S.C. will face Mass. Maritime Academy while this paper is in print, and will travel to Worcester State tonight. The big game, however, will be Saturday night against Boston State.

One of the reasons for the Owls recent success is Tim Farrell. Farrell, recently selected M.V.P. in the Western New England College tournament has been tearing up the strings at an average of more than 20 points in his last four outings. Other forwards Ed Deveau and Wilbert Daniels haven't been slacking off either, as both hit for double figures in the upset win over North Adams.

This was a big win for Westfield, because the Mohawks were ranked seventh in the Nation for Division III scoring defense. Westfield led throughout the game, winning by as much as 10 at one point.

Assistand Coach Joe Pescitelli who had the helm because of a death in Coach Sartori's family, praised the team for a total effort on everyone's part. "Bob Flieger was real good coming in off the bench," he added.

"Smitty (Ralph Smith) really took charge, and helped set things up out there, and we've really started to click." "Ever since our win against Eastern Conn. we've been playing good ball," Pescitelli said.

"In the tournament we played better than any team I've seen around here, "Pescitelli offered, "and Tim Farrell has been a bigh help."

"Timmy takes good shots, and we can always count on him for a good performance," teammate Bob Flieger said.

Let's hope they can stay healthy and keep up their success. Perhaps they'll finish off the same way they did last year.

February 9, 1978

At Sportsman's Club
A Special Day

By Jeff Connell
and Scott M. Danzig

Special needs children from Westfield were treated to the Annual Winter Sports Carnival held by the Westfield Sportsman's Club on Saturday afternoon February 4.

More than seventy youngsters participated in a variety of activities including snowmobiling, inner-tube sledding, tobogganing, snow-sculpture, and skating.

The event is directed by Donald Wielgus of the Sportsman's Club, who has also organized the Spring Fishing Derbies. Two Westfield State College students, Mary Sobczyk, a junior Special Ed. major, and Jeanne Rideau, a sophomore Phys. ed. major were busy working with the youngsters and having a lot of fun like everyone.

"I love it," Sobczyk said, "The kids now actually get to participate."

Sobczyk also said she thought the kids enjoyed sledding and snowmobiling best of all.

The Westfield Sportsman's Club is a scenic 277 acre facility on the north side of town. There are woods, trails, a pavillion, a large pond, and areas for activities such as fishing, shooting, and archery. The facility is available for use by Westfield State College students upon request.

Sponsors for the carnival include McDonald's of Westfield whose Manager Andre LaPrade donated the funds. Ronald McDonald iron-on patches were given out along with gift certificates for prizes. Other sponsors were the Local V.F.W. POST 1847 and Stanley Home Products.

The weather was perfect for the carnival, crisp and clear, but the most beautiful aspect of the day was all the smiles on the faces of those kids.

Intramural Basketball: Men's Division
(Decided by December Jamboree Games)

Division I NBA	ABA	Division II East	West
Cowboys and Indians	Salt and Pepper	Berkshire Rats	Ribs on Wh
Conventioneers	Asti Spumanti	Space Cadets	Tang
Guttercats	Gandalf and Co.	Morehick	Red Eye
Eastwood	Ragmen	Bad Co.	N.J.C.
Houston	Faculty	20-20's	Catgutters
Whotters	Bongers	Seamen	Brunski
Stan	Nats	5 Plus 1	Big Babies
Duke	AWT	Press	Missing Lin
		Hemp	Wild Turks
		WEOOO	Stains
		Spew	Machine
		49ers	Newers

Baseball Season Begins

After a three month break, the Baseball Owls are back at it again with pre-season conditioning and work-outs in preparation for their up coming season. This past season the Baseball Team posted an impressive 21-3-1 record and did much to form this springs team, as well as the Freshmen Team, which will play a 17 game schedule.

Co-captains Fred Simm (Methuen) and Bob Mayo (Stoneham) have been leading the team in the work-outs and expresses great optimism the upcoming season. The Baseball Owls, who work all year long for their program, look forward to the 1978 season with more depth and overall talent then any other team has had in Baseball at WSC.

SOUTHERN TOUR INCLUDES 14 Games

A record of 14 games are scheduled for the Southern Trip this season. Last year the Owls come home 9-2 to begin a successful season. This year two different teams were added: Cambell College and St. Andrews College, both in Southern North Carolina. Methodist College, has held a box on the Owls for two years and will probably be the most difficult team the Baseball Owls face all season.

MARK PANANOS GETS TRY-OUT WITH YANKEES

Mark Pananos, class of '77 (Holyoke) will get a full try-out with the New York Yankees in Ft. Lauderdale this spring. Pananos, the holder of most of the pitching records here at Westfield State, will leave the second week of March. Mark holds the all-time records in Most Career Games (42), Most Career Starts (39), Most Starts in a season (12), Most Stike outs in a season (71) and Most Stikes outs in a career (206) and Fewest Bases on Balls in a career, (83). Mark is currently under a conditioning and pitching program by the Westfield State Baseball Program.

WSC BASEBALL RATED NATIONALLY AGAIN

The Westfield State College Baseball Team hasn't played a game yet in the 1978 season and they are Nationally Rated for the pre-season. According to the February 10th issue of "Collegiate Baseball" (the official Baseball newspaper) "In the NCAA Division III, California State at Stanislaus (last year's national champion) may be good enough to make an unprecedented third consecutive stab at the title. But spirited competition is expected from such teams as; Marietta, Eastern Connecticut, DePauw, WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE, Ithaca, Pace, Widener, Glasboro State, and Wilkes and York."

Last year Westfield wound up the season 31-12-1, second in New England and 12th in the nation (for the second straight year). The eventual National Champion (Cal. Stanislaus) was rated 17th in the nation prior to the NCAA Playoffs and Westfield State was rated 18th, not making the nation's top ten was very disappointing last year, but being picked as a contender for the National Title is a real achievment.

SPENCER SIDELINED WITH DISLOCATION

Sophomore pitcher-first baseman, Mark Spencer (Lynn) will be sidelined for at least three weeks with a dislocated finger. The young lefthander had been looking forward to a productive season, but now he will be a few weeks behind. Spencer will probably be used just in relief on the Southern Trip. Transfer lefthander, Jim Devaney (Watertown Suffolk University) will now make the trip and help bolster the pitching from the left side. The Baseball Owls will leave the Campus on Friday night, March 17th to inaugurate their 1978 season. The Southern Schedule is below:

SPRING SOUTHERN SCHEDULE

March.....	Saturday	18	at FEDERAL CITY COLLEGE	2	12:00
	Monday	20	at NORTH CAROLINA WESLEYAN	2	1:00
	Tuesday	21	at CAMBELL COLLEGE	2	1:00
	Wednesday	22	at METHODIST COLLEGE	2	1:00
	Thursday	23	at ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE	2	1:00
	Saturday	25	at NORFOLK STATE COLLEGE	2	11:00
	Sunday	26	at DELAWARE STATE COLLEGE	2	12:00

Kurty Retires

By Scott M. Danzig

When soccer coach John Kurty came here in 1966, whoever would have thought that he'd retire one of the winningest coaches in the nation?

The answer is quite simple: most. If they were familiar with his career, first at Amherst Jr. High, and then Ludlow Senior High School.

In a career that included soccer, football, volleyball, baseball, and basketball, obviously coach Kurty will be most remembered for his contributions to the sport of soccer. In a profession where you have to deal with the personalities of many young men, and a different set every four years or so, what is truly amazing is that in nearly three decades, he never had a losing season.

Shortly after Christmas the Owls mentor announced that he's retiring, not resigning, but will continue teaching.

Kurty said that teaching and coaching are both full time jobs, and it's just too tough to continue to do both.

Kurty was instrumental in building the fine program Westfield has, sending teams to post season play six years in a row.

In 1974, with an overall record of 17-4-2, the Owls traveled to Wheaton College, Illinois, and placed third in the Division III National Championships.

When national championships are at stake many coaches and players tend to get nervous, but for Kurty it must have been commonplace, having played for national champs at Penn State in 1950 and 51.

"I've had the pleasure of meeting and working with a lot of fine young men," Kurty said.

In his 12 years directing soccer at Westfield Kurty has accumulated an impressive 153-37-12 record. In eleven years of coaching at Ludlow he managed a record of 150-19-17, Western Mass. champs nine of those years, and state champs in 1963, 1964, and 1965. From 1958 they won Western Mass. eight years straight. Thus, after a long and victorious career, Kurty retires with an overall record of 303-56-29. He built soccer at Westfield State.

Kurty rebuffs by saying, "A coach is only as good as his players, and I've had a lot of good ones. I've had the priviledge of coaching several All-New England players, and one All-American."

"The entire sports program here is good, and I think Westfield will continue to have strong teams in the future," Kurty said.

"One thing's for sure," Kurty reflected. "It's been great, and you know I'll be there next year to cheer our guys on to victory."

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WSC Tops!

WESTFIELD, Ma. -- The Smith Cup, a trophy symbolic of overall athletic excellence among the Massachusetts State Colleges, has been awarded to Westfield State College. The College's teams have won the Cup for three of the last five years.

Since June of 1971, the nine members of the Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference (MASCAC) have competed for the Cup. It is named after former State College Trustee Howard Smith, a figure instrumental in the establishment of MASCAC.

Scoring for the award is based on points given for the final conference standings of MASCAC teams. The top three competing colleges receive points towards their final totals.

The year 1976 was the first in which Womens sports -- including Tennis, Field Hockey, Basketball, Volleyball, and Softball -- were incorporated into the scoring system. In this way, the Conference gained a unified and total approach to MASCAC competition. Speaking of Westfield's latest capture of the Cup, Paul Bogan, Director of Athletics, says that "the points earned by the women really pushed us over the top."

High-scoring Westfield teams responsible for bringing the Smith Cup to the College include: Cross Country, Soccer, Baseball, Field Hockey, Volleyball, Softball, Women's Basketball, and both mens and women's tennis.

1st Swim Meet →

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Swim Meet

The first Massachusetts State College Swim Meet was held recently at Bridgewater State College. Schools participating in the meet were Mass. Maritime Academy, Bridgewater State College, Salem State College, and Westfield State College.

Representing Westfield State were: Ann Hopkins, Laurie Darwin, Ann Sullivan, Diane Valentina, Lois Loring, Bob Strom, Bob Miln, John Ablondi, Mike Banasia, Tom Barnes, and Steve Leo.

The women exhibited strong performances in the meet, while the men gained recognition also. Bob Miln was the winner in the 200 Freestyle while John Ablondi gained a second in the 100 yard Breaststroke. Tom Barnes gained a 4th in the 50 Freestyle and a 4th in the 100 Freestyle.

Owl's Mark Spooner

The Locker Room

By Larry Locker

Sorry to be away so long; activities are in full swing...the Hockey Boys of Winter are having a great season and appear headed for a playoff berth for the second straight year....but Div. II may still be too far away. The liberated version of basketball here are constantly rated in the Boston Globe each week. The Women will certainly make a Tour, and where are those who said the Women's B-Ball Team would take a dive this year! Coach Sartori's clan has had a very interesting season. At times looking poor and or dying to give games away, but then came the Western New England Tour and other impressive wins. Their record is not indicative of their play. They are a good team. Captains Deveau and Smith have done their share along with Wilbert and of course, Tim Farrell. The Winter Track season has done the job in getting the Spring Track Team ready.....runners say they will be tough this spring. Andy Johnson and crew (Men's V. Ball) has had a few surprises this season with impressive outings in tours. You can tell that spring can't be far behind when you see the Baseball Team working out at all hours of the day.....ah....bring that warm weather! It is official; Coach Kurty will not be back! After 27 years of coaching Soccer, the Grey Ghost of the WSC Soccer Field will retire. Twelve plus years of coaching Soccer here at Westfield State made Westfield athletics during the early stages of the Athletic Program. The big question .....will there be Lacrosse here at WSC? With the departure of Tony Viocelli, and the adverse season the team had last year (in many more ways than one).....Lacrosse is questionable to say the least. Insiders say a grad student from U Mass. may get the nod from Mr. Bogan. We hope he checks the eligibility and academic records before he begins! Last term's Sports Editor, Mark Morris, is a sensation on WSPR Radio in Springfield. He does news on Saturday nights and he will be good. Intramural Basketball still has problems with officials not showing up....and the teams let the Director know about it too, of which they should. Overall though, the Rec/Im Program leaves nothing to be desired here at WSC. Bob Strom and company took a Club Swim Team to Bridgewater State last week and did very well. A big welcome to Jerry Dupuis, the new Athletic Score Keeper (Former Fred Midgley). Richard Furcolo says he will keep Jerry in line....but let's hear it for Richard....he does his job well and the kids like him. Intramural kids say Otis Ridge is pretty good and much more reasonable than Mt. Tom. They would never get up a mountain with two little boards on, but those kids love it. I like the idea of an All-Star Basketball Team....but who are they going to play?

Intramural Basketball

Westfield State College has been one of the area schools selected to participate in the First Annual Intramural Basketball Tournament (Extramural) between colleges. Westfield State will assemble a squad from the participating Intramural Basketball Players. The managers of all the teams are now submitting their selections to Mr. Magarian. A final ballot will then be voted on, and a team will begin to practice for the upcoming tournament at Western New England College. Ten men will be selected and represent WSC.

Women Stars -VS- China

Three players from the Westfield State College (WSC) Women's Basketball Team were chosen to play on an all-star squad made up of players from Western Massachusetts area colleges, against a team representing the Republic of China. The Chinese team is currently touring the United States.

Jeannie Bourke, a sophmore from Springfield, Debbie Grzyb, a junior from Dudley, and Tracy Phaneuf of Hatfield, Massachusetts were the WSC stars. They joined women from U. Mass., Springfield College, Western New England College, AIC, and Holyoke Community College. The International contest was held at Springfield College.

The Republic of China won the game 81-74, but the three WSC players combined for ten points and played good two-way basketball despite seeing limited action.

They never stop running and capitalize on their opponents mistakes with their quickness. China has a number of fine outside shooters, especially from the top of the key area. In contrast the Western Mass. All-Stars concentrate on working the ball inside for lay-ups and close shots.

Phaneuf is WSC's leading scorer this season with 127 points shooting 36% from the floor going into the Feb. 18th game vs. Eastern Connecticut. Grzyb and Bourke follow with 103 and 101 points respectively. However Bourke is shooting at a superb 56% . Going into the Eastern Conn. game, the Women's B-Ball Owls have emassed a fine 12-3 record. They are riding a seven game winning streak with their last loss coming on Jan. 17 to Worcester State.

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WSC Owls Hockey Champs

By Scott M. Danzig

"It's quite exciting and our objective has finally been reached," Mike Holubowich said following his team's capturing the ECAC Div. III Hockey Championship last weekend.

Holubowich, the coach from the outset of Owl hockey history upped his overall record this season from 27-30 to 47-32 after this year's successful campaign. It's common knowledge that the pucksters skated to an undefeated 16-0 divisional mark, while bowing only twice for an overall record of 20-2 (5-2 in Div. II play).

"It was tough to play Trinity because they know our style and we've played them twice already," Holubowich stated, "They were the spoilers and had nothing to lose, we had everything to lose; they weren't even expected to make to the tourney," he added.

"Also I think it was tough for the kids to get as high as they were for the Iona game," Holubowich said. "Don't get me wrong, we were psyched, but we geared our whole playoff attack towards one team, and you saw what we did!"

What the Owls did to Iona was awesome. From the moment they stepped out onto the ice the game was over. Westfield outplayed them in every phase of the game.

An entire book could be written about the first period of the Iona game alone. The book would be longer than WAR AND PEACE, and would start off with the scoring, Westfield eight, Iona zero.

The period summed up the way things would be for the rest of the game, as the home town team blasted 33 shots to Iona's four. This stat is enough to wear out any goalie, but Iona went through three before they treked home to Schenectady.

The Iona game was called with 2:53 remaining in the final period as tempers flared on the ice and in the stands. Some Iona players headed straight to the showers, but most were sportsmenlike enough to line up and shake hands following the game.

Coach Holubowich cited several reasons why it might have been so easy to drub the Gaels. The first was that they had a seven hour bus trip, (it usually takes two) and they were caught a little flatfooted.

"The second reason I think they got beat so bad was the intimidation by our fans. The place was packed, the crowd was loud, and there were signs about every six inches. I was shocked, but pleased," Holubowich said.

Although the official stats haven't been compiled by the ECAC as yet, this game should help pad some of our team's records, as Jim Collins fired in another hat trick, and six others found the net twice, Ken Girouard, Mike Davis, Dan Brown, Paul Bracken, Jim O'Donnovan, and Paul Liberty. Paul LeBlanc and Rich Crowley contributed single markers for the Owl barrage.

Crowley was sidelined for the finale, as he was sent crashing into the boards and had a shoulder seperation.

Trinity surprised many experts by making it to the finals by virtue of their 6-4 win over Framingham State. The Framingham fans arrived during the final five minutes of the game, just in time to see their team lose. Then they couldn't find their bus driver, and had to wait nearly an hour before the drive home.

Trinity proved that they were no slouches either. They boast the talents of the ECAC's leading goal scorer in George Brickley.

The visiting Hartford team set a few fans back and there was a hush in the stands as for the first time this season the Owls found themselves on the losing end of the first period.

In the second period Westfield came out meaning business, and although they didn't erase all doubts, many fans were confident that we'd bring home the glory of victory.

Paul Bracken knotted the score at 1-1 at 10:50 in the second session as he fired in a rebound.

As was the case throughout this game Westfield found itself a man short because of

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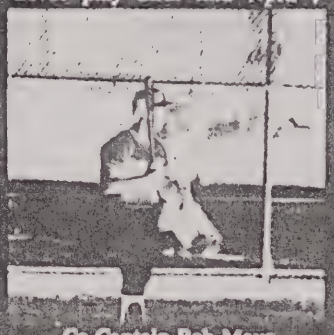
BASEBALL

After eight weeks of pre-season conditioning and training the 1978 version of the Owls Baseball is about ready to be shown. Although the team may never touch foot on a regular baseball diamond until their first game (Saturday, March 18th, Washington, D.C.) the team is ready and primed for the new campaign. "Without the Fall season, we could never play until mid April", says Coach Magarian, "and by that time we may be able to get in 20 or so games and find it extremely difficult to be considered for any NCAA Post Season play". Magarian continues... "the club is in excellent condition, only because they have worked so hard and know exactly what is at stake. They felt the Big Time last year when we came within a few feet of being in the National Championship. This years team is overall stronger and contains more depth. The pitching this year is without a doubt the strongest ever at Westfield. We have five solid starters who can go against anyone and five solid relief pitchers who can come in at any time. If pitching is 80% of the game, all we have to do is make sure we don't beat ourselves".



Co-Captain Bob Mayo

No only is the pitching outstanding, but the hitting is so strong that the number 8 and 9 hitters could at any time hit 3,4 or 5....thats hitting! At any time the line-up could be turned upside down and the team would be just as strong!

Magarian believes a line up such as the following might open the season in Washington: **1. Mike Ciampa cf, 2. Bob Benn lf, 3. Gary Beard 1b, 4. Fred Simm 3b, 5. Alex Masel c, 6. Bob Mayo DH, 7. Joe Seckler rf, 8. Bob Verdolino 2b, 9. Dave Clivio 22, 10. Bob Monlz p, (23-5). Masel and Mayo** will handle the catching, but the people on the bench are just as good....One thing about baseball, it is not predictable.

WSC Division III Champs!

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penalties. There were several bids on shorthanded goals, but the Bantam's netminder Ted Walkowitz was impressive in the crease.

Meanwhile at the other end of the ice, Curt Everett, the ECAC's number one goalie was up to his ususal antics, kicking away shots right and left.

Once again Westfield had to come from behind, a feat they are unaccustomed to, as they fell behind 2-1.

Andy Hevey blasted in a screen shot to equal the score 2-2, with assists going to Ken Girouard and Mike Davis.

The Owls went in front to stay when freshman Jim O'Donnovan broke up the length of the ice along the right boards and passed off to Bob Heyner right in front of the net. O'Donnovan could haved faked out the Wide World of Sports cameramen with his moves, which left his teammate wide open for an easy goal.

Ken Girouard added the final goal following a pass from Jim Collins, an All-East center.

Trinity managed another marker, but it was elementary, the Owls were champs. Westfield had several other opportunities, and thanks to the goalie's best friend, the post, the score remained 4-3.

As a result of his three goal, six assist performance, Ken Girouard was selected the tourney's Most Valuable Player. Girouard had an incredible performance, but his teammates were making their presence felt too.

One usually steady performer, Kevin Prowse, a freshman standout from Wakefield, was heavily taped before the start of the finals. Prowse took another knee injury and spent most of the second and third period being attended to. He made one final appearance on a power play, and helped set up a goal.

Prowse has a slapshot that is definitely of professional caliber, and if it weren't for the Mount Rushmore sized swelling of his knee, the fans undoubtedly would have been treated to a fine show.

Coach Holubowich said "There is a very very slim chance that we'll get selected to the Division II NCAA's, but we won't know until this weekend."

Holubowich is optimistic about the future of hockey here at State. "Westfield has a lot more to offer its players, a better curriculum, better campus and better social life that the other state schools, the only thing we're lacking is a rink."

When questioned about the possibility of moving up to Division II, Holubowich said he'd be glad to if we get the kind of commitment we got in the beginning.

All I want would be to have a better schedule, and the commitment that if given a few years we'll build the kind of team in Division II that we have now in Division III. Our division is a developmental one, and I certainly don't want our fans to leave games after the first period when we're winning by outrageous scores," he added.

"I'm not asking for more money, except we might need some for traveling." People might not realize that all we have paid for us is our practice time, and the rest we have to make up for at the gate," Holubowich stated.

"We don't worry too much about our team drawing fans, we usually have a full house, and our fans are great," Holubowich said.

"As of yet we haven't picked up any new teams, but we have several commitments if we go Division II."

"I don't see why we can't do it, look at Salem State," Holubowich declared, "all they have over us is a rink."

"In fact I think we could beat Salem with the team we had the second half of this season," the Owl mentor remarked.

Westfield remains the only undefeated team in the east, and as for next year's prospects Dan Walker said, "There's no question we'll repeat. I knew all along that we could do it this year, and we're only losing three seniors."

Owls team captain Kevin Falvey moves in against lone- (Photo by Keith Gattozzi)

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Rough For B-Ball

By Jeff Connell

The Westfield State College Men's Basketball Team ended their season with three disappointing losses to Fitchburg, North Adams, and Framingham State to finish with an 11-14 record.

Coach Sartori's squad started slowly this year with a 4-9 mark, but matured as a team and worked their way to .500, sparked night after night by the consistency of Team Most Valuable Player Tim Farrell.

The 6'5" sophmore from Dalton, Mass. led the Owls in virtually every offensive category. Farrell won the MVP award for his effort in the WNEC Classic, and was named to two other All-Tournament Teams in the Codfish Bowl and the Mayor's Tournament. Coach Sartori said he feels Farrell will be the leader on the court next year.

During the course of the season WSC was involved in nine games which were decided by just one or two points, and lost eight of those.

At one point, however, the Owls won seven of nine games.

"I'd say our best game of our season was played against Manhattanville," Coach Sartori said.

That was the game where WSC put it all together against that outstanding New York team that had crushed them earlier by 27 points in the WNEC Classic.

There was the snowstorm which resulted in a layoff of about ten days without game conditions. It broke the Owls momentum, and then came the heartbreaking two-point loss to Boston State.

"It was boring repetition to keep practicing and not play. Especially the peak of the season when we were doing our best. We had our game going the way we wanted it," Sartori said.

The pleasant surprise of the season was Wilbur Daniels, the 27 year old freshman who came on to start later into the season, and played with the enthusiasm of an 18 year old. Daniels, who has the highest vertical jump on the team, did the job on the court, and will do so for a couple more years.

"He just loves the game of basketball," Sartori said.

A plus for the Owls was the balanced rebounding. No one man dominated under the boards. Bob Westbrook, the 6'7" freshman who blocked five consecutive shots vs. Fitchburg last November to set a school record, is still learning but should be ready next year.

"60% of the game is rebounding," Sartori emphasized.

Next season WSC will have eight players back, whereas there were only three returnees for this season.

"We're hoping for more consistent games from the seniors. We either won or lost on the mature kid's experience," Sartori said.

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Westfield Track Runners Place

WESTFIELD RUNNERS PLACE

The Westfield State Track Team came up with its most positive performance of the indoor season, as they placed three performers in the Eastern Indoor Championships held last Sunday at Southern Connecticut State College. Two Westfield State track team members achieved All New England College Division honors by finishing in the top three in their respective events. A third runner placed in the meet.

Russ Bosbach, Westfield's ace in the jumps, came up with a school record performance of 46' 4½" to take third place in the triple jump. Also receiving honors in the meet was Bruce Labonte, who raced to a third place finish with a personal best of 1:15.2 in the 600 yd. run.

Quarter miler Pete Davenport also scored a personal best with a fifth-place, 51.9 performance.

Making it to the finals, but falling to place for Westfield were Joe Mandile in the shot put and Ron Lake in the 880. Mandile's throw of 47'8" established a new school record for the event.

This weekend Westfield will travel to Hartford University for the New England Indoor Championships. Qualifying for the meet and competing on Sunday will be Russ Bosbach in the triple jump and Luis Pizzaro in the high hurdles..

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Anyone interested in playing women's intercollegiate soccer this spring should sign up on the bulletin board in the gym by March 17th.

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Intrammural Ball Standings
As Of March 10, 1978

MEN'S

DIV. I

Duke	6-1
Stan	6-2
Eastwood	5-3
Conventioneers	3-3
Whotters	3-4
Guttercats	3-4
Houston	2-5
Cowboys & Indians	2-7
AWT	8-1
Nats	7-1
Ragmen	6-2
Asti Spumante	4-4
Salt & Pepper	4-4
Gandalf & Co	2-6
Borgers	1-8
*Faculty	1-8

DIV. II

Hemp	7-0
49ers	6-1
Space Cadets	6-1
Mershick	7-2
WEOOO	5-2
Bad Co	5-3
Spow	3-5
Berkshire Rats	3-5
5 Plus 1	3-6
20-20's	3-6
Press	1-7
Seamen	1-7
Rednecks	0-8
Missing Links	9-0
Machine	7-2
Tang	7-2
Yo	7-2
Ribs on Wheels	7-2
Wild Turk's	4-4
Brunskl	5-4
Stains	2-6
Big Babies	2-6
N.J.C.	2-7
Catgutters	2-7
* Red Eye	0-9

*Forfeited out of the league

WOMEN'S

DIV. I

Whip City Climbers	8-0
TNS	7-2
Pits	8-2
Ward	6-3
AGSAWS	4-4
Extra Mayo	4-5
Misfits	3-4
Bushbangers	5-4
Walkers	5-4
No Names	5-4
Untouchables	5-4
D & C	1-8

DIV. II

Bushes	8-1
Miserable B's	7-2
Cribari Cadets	7-2
Sorcerers	5-3
C, PO	2-7
Jokers	0-9
Kitty's Cats	9-1
Meadow Madness	5-3
Night Owls	3-4
Bouncers	2-7

* Forfeited out of League

Does not include AGSAWS vs. Whip City Climbers 3/9

Softball League! Rosters Due Thurs. April 6th

Opens Monday April 10th

Men's &

1. Forfeit Fee Due/or Filed
2. Roster 10-15 Players

Mgrs. Meeting
Sun. April 9th
6:30 p.m.

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Westfield River Canoe Races

25th Anniversary

April 1st, 2nd, 8th, and 9th, 1978

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ALL-STAR BASKETBALL TEAMS

MEN'S DIVISION I	MEN'S DIVISION II
Ken Bracket	Gary Mindell
Dave Bevan	Steve Faniel
Frank DiSalvio	Joe Seckler
Kevin McCarthy	Dan Lunden
Dan Schinderman	Ed Quigley
Richard Coughlin	
Paul Legendre	
Paul Castonguay	Mike Gautheir
Bob Coughlin	Joe Boland
John Vasalo	Butch Casey
Gary Ribidoux	Dave Finch
Fred Marx	Alex Masel
Jerry Joyce	Butch LaMagdelaine
Bob Belinod	Chris Rielly

Larry Locker Speaks Out

By Larry Locker

Who says Intramural Basketball isn't exciting! M. Tulley (of softball fame) can score 26 points any time she wants....so can Connie Fitzpatrick of Leslie Bridge. It does look like a close race for the women's crown with the Whip City Climbers, the Pits, and Ward making strong strides. The Bushbangers and No-Names are also in strong contention when the playoffs begin for Div. I. I can't understand how Jim Quesnal was overlooked as an All-Star for Div. I Basketball. Besides Quesie, I thought Keebler and Dana Rutherford should have been there also. As far as the Men's Div. I race is concerned there are too darn many good teams! AWT, Duke, Nats, Stan, Asti Spumanti, Ragmen....any of these teams could win the playoffs. Those should be great games to watch. Peter DiBona says that Gary Mindell was the top vote-getter in the All-Star balloting for Div. I. The best and one of the smallest players at WSC must be Kim Chase. Money has it that the baseball team will not return from their Southern Trip....reason: they would rather play on grass than snow...something about the ball rolling better! I predict the lacrosse team will win at least 5 games this season, and of course it won't have anything to do with their new coach (not much). I still can't get over those big Hockey wins over North Adams (probably our best friends in athletics) and Boston. JUST GREAT! You just have to keep sticking it to those Mohawks....Moniz and Simm are going to throw back to back no-hitters against them here this spring....but no, our fans will not throw beer and bottles at their team...not like they did to our guys last season. Sartori's crew almost took two from N.A. this season....too bad 4 year vet Ed Deveau received zero at his last game....hell, the cheerleaders could of at least done something!

Owls Baseball Season Underway Saturday

45 GAME SCHEDULE

With eight rugged weeks of pre-season training and conditioning behind them, the Westfield State College Baseball Team is preparing for their annual Southern Tour, this year playing 14 games. Last year the Baseball Owls returned with a 9-2 mark. This year it is doubtful if any New England team will get outside before the end of March.

Westfield opens up their season in Washington D.C. against Federal City College, a strong inner city school, on Saturday, March 18th. Their most difficult games will come back to back against Cambell College and Methodist College (North Carolina). The Owls have yet to beat Methodist in three years.

Co-captains Fred Simm (Methuen) and Bob Mayo (Stoneham) will lead the '78 Owls and attempt to more than duplicate last years 31-12 slate and the runner-up in the NCAA Tour. Depth seems to be the key for the Owls of '78 with 10 regular varsity pitchers! Westfield State will have five regular starters and five relief pitchers with only two of them being seniors. Every other position has at least one top backup player who will be able to step in at any time and accomplish the job which will be called for.

Injuries hurt the Owls last year as they went into their final weeks and the NCAA Tournament with five regulars on the bench....still the Owls took Brandeis University to the finals before bowing out as the New England Runner-up. (the second time in the past three years) Westfield State was picked by "Collagiate Baseball" [the official National College baseball paper] to be one of the teams to challenge two year national champion Calif. Stanislaus for the 1978 National Championship.....a real tribute to Westfield State Baseball!

WSC Spikers Underway

If William Morgan were alive today, he would be astonished to learn that a game he invented for middle-aged men who could no longer withstand the rigors of basketball is now one of the fastest growing sports in the nation.

Originally called minonette, volleyball has developed into the fast moving, team game of power volleyball. The designation power volleyball came into being when national and international commissions were formed which set up strict rules and regulations to facilitate league competition. Because of the rules, the power game requires a mastery of basic skills and an understanding of certain game strategies which aren't normally emphasized in recreational volleyball. Concentration, quick thinking, and constant movement are also required of every player.

It is only fitting that Westfield State should have both a men's and a women's power volleyball team due to the college's close proximity to Holyoke, the birthplace of volleyball. In fact, W.S.C. is one of only three state schools in New England that fields a men's varsity volleyball team. Worcester State and Lyndon State (Vermont) are the other two schools.

According to second year coach, Claude Morin, this year's men's team shows signs of improvement.

"I feel that this year's squad is more advanced than last year's" he said.

"We've come away from local scrimmages and have an ambitious schedule for a state college."

"We have a team that can compete with any of the 21 colleges in our league," he added.

At present, Morin's main concern is to get W.S.C. established within the league which may be expanding to as many as 50 teams. According to Morin, this is a challenge because, "The competition in the league is tougher and the overall quality of play has improved."

In facing this challenge, Westfield is handicapped to a certain degree because it doesn't have the drawing power that some of the large colleges have.

"This team has to be a product of immediate area," Morin said.

"This school doesn't have the drawing ability of some of the larger schools which can draw players from California, where many of the good volleyball players are now being developed."

A second handicap is the length of the schedule which runs into April.

"This season W.S.C. is faced with an 18 team match schedule which will run into April," said Morin.

"This causes a problem. The overlap into spring is tough because players have to be found who aren't involved in any of the spring sports."

Also due to the scheduling, W.S.C. will only play one home match. Morin feels that it is unfortunate that the team will be unable to get a following because of the lack of home exposure.

"The matches are spread out and usually away on Saturdays due to budgetary considerations and because of the geographical spread of the league," Morin said.

"However, we will contine to have scrimmages during the week at home; so the team will get some home exposure," he added.

Rounding out this year's squad are seniors Joe Beaulieu, Lester Zyla, Andy Johnson, Peter McInerny and John Bathelt; juniors John Arana, Jorge Mino, Dana Black, Jim Carter, and Chuck Morgan; and sophomores Andy Banas and Kevin Plunkett.

WSC Varsity Volleyball Squad set to spring into action. (Photo by Barbara Reuss)

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Diamond Details

As you all know, the baseball field is pretty much under water these days but the Westfield State Owls are finding it pretty easy to tread water while the field slowly dries up in the April sun.

They returned from down in the land of Dixie with an impressive 10-2 record. Along the way they left some pretty bewildered teams wondering how those Owls up yonder got to play baseball as good as they did, especially with all that snow they read about in the papers. Div. I power Cambell College fell 4-0, and 7-3 with Butch hurling a no-hitter. Then on to Methodist College which has been a thorn in Westfields' side for the past three years by always beating them, but this year it was different with two straight wins over them.

The leading Owl slugger is Gary Beard with an impressive 20 hits in one week of play, and gives him a 473 batting average. Joe Seckler also pitched in with three home runs and three triples to put him at 313. Four other hitters, Bob Mayo, Fred Simms, Mike Champa, and Kevin Moore posted batting averages of 394, 369, 388, and 409 respectively. With hitting like that, we are sure in for an exciting spring season here at Westfield.

In their first season opener up north the Owls looked like they should have remained way down south with AIC leading them 3-1 into the 8th but "Home Run" Joe Seckler came out and put all such thoughts to rest with a smashing three-run homer which lead to a 6-3 win. Butch LaMagdelaine came on in the game to relieve Bob Moniz for seven great innings of relief in which he pitched shut-out ball. Along with that great performance, the freshman team also posted a win under the leadership of Frank Halper.

A little sad note for the team though. Dave Clivio is out with a badly sprained ankle which could sideline him for the rest of the season. His speed and great defensive ability will be missed. Let's hope for a speedy recovery for Dave. On the brighter side, Butch is off to his best start yet with a 4-0 record consisting of a no-hitter and one-hitter down south and an ERA of better than 0.63. Joe Seckler is the power hitter of the squad who doesn't go for the little stuff but rather prides himself in sending the ball for a trip with little likelihood of returning. Look out Lammers Hall!

For a team that hasn't played a home game yet this season, imagine what can be done when they do play their home field. With a rice paddy for a field, the time is somewhere off in the distant future. For all this the Owls have been ranked second in New England and fifth in the nation in a pre-season poll. Now with an 11-2 record riding on their shoulders they travel to Bridgewater Saturday and Fitchburg Monday. Let's all go out and support this super team at their first, and every home game.

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WSC Softball Powerhouse?

The WSC Women's Softball Team successfully opened their season with a doubleheader victory over Brown University 24-4, 27-4.

The Owls jumped on the Brown pitcher for seven (7) runs in the second inning, with sophomore Nancy Janhunen providing the big blow, a scorching line drive and grand slam. From that point on, the game was over. Westfield condnued its hitting barrage aided by Brown's costly errors and fourteen free passes issued by the pitcher for a total of fourteen base hits and twenty four (24) runs. Every player aided in the scoring, led by Nancy Janhunen who went six for six followed by Marian Tully and Jeanne Bourke with three hits apiece. Maureen O'Connell, Julie Brockelman, and Cheryl Condon contributed two safeties each while Tracy Phaneuf, Janet d'Enttemont, and Lori Seppala provided one hit each. Junior pitcher Cheryl Condon allowed but two hits in her Westfield State debut.

The second half of the twinbill was almost identical to the first. Within the two and one half hours of game time, there were thirty one (31) runs scored, seventeen (17) base hits, and seventeen (17) base on balls. Westfield accounted for twenty seven (27) of those runs, twelve base hits, and only two (2) walks. Sophomore pitcher Cindy Tessicini had good control while allowing only five base hits. Junior firstbaseman Margaret Toomey led the way in hitting with three singles, followed by Cindy Tessicini, Judy LeClerc, Jody Reale, Diane Mercandante, and Jeanne Bourke with two hits apiece. Teri Padula, Maureen O'Connell, and Lany Dunbar collected one hit each.

On a cold and damp Monday, the Owls traveled to Willimantic Conn. for a game against E.C.S.C. As was the case in their opening game, Westfield was the recipient of free passes issued by the fast but wild Eastern pitcher. Fourteen walks mixed in with eight Westfield hits gave way to a 13-2 Owl victory. Janet d'Entremont scored 4 times while Maureen O'Connell crossed home 3 times through the efforts of Julie Brockelman who had 3 runs batted in, and Nancy Janhunen and Lori Seppala who had 2 RBI's each.

Jeanne Bourke led in hitting with two base hits. Cheryl Condon picked up her second victory with a respectable three hitter, allowing only two base

NCAA Hockey

The NCAA's newly-created Division II Ice Hockey Championship has been confirmed for March 16-18 at the Springfield Civic Center.

American International College will host the inaugural championship, with semifinal games scheduled for 7:30 p.m., March 16 and 17 in the four-team tournament. The third-place game will be at 2 p.m., March 18, and the championship game at 7:30.

There are 63 Division II and Division III NCAA institutions which sponsor ice hockey as a varsity intercollegiate sport and will be considered for selection in the championship. The NCAA Division II Ice Hockey Committee must select one representative from the West region (NCAA Districts 4,5,6,7 and 8). The other two teams will be selected at-large.

Before the Division II Championship was established by the 72nd NCAA Convention in Atlanta last month, all Association member institutions which sponsored ice hockey participated for one single National Collegiate Ice Hockey Championship. This year, 42 institutions will be considered for selection in the Division I Ice Hockey Championship, March 23-25, at the Providence Civic Center in Rhode Island.

The addition of the Division II Ice Hockey Championship brings to 40 the number of national championships conducted by the NCAA in 18 sports and at three competitive levels.

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Mason-Dixon Rampage

WESTFIELD STATE BASEBALL
Returns 10-2 From South

The Westfield State College Baseball team returned from their annual Spring Southern Trip with an impressive 10 and 2 record.

A streak of 8 straight wins began in the Nations' Capital with a doubleheader victory against the University of District Columbia (U.D.C.), formerlly Federal City College. In the opening game, Bob Moniz pitched the Owls to a 19-1 victory while Ed LaMagelaine pitched a one-hitter in the second game which the Owls won 9-0. The Baseball Owls won two more games at North Carolina Wesleyan with Fred Simm and Casey Barry picking up the victories, 5-3 and 5-2.

From there the competition really got hot with doubleheaders against Div. 1 power Cambell College and Methodist College. Ed LaMagdelaine pitched a NO-HITTER against Cambell in the first game, while Mark Spencer cut down the Carolina power in the second game. The scores were 4-0 and 7-3. At Methodist, (a team who had never lost to Westfield in three years) the Owls made ammends with a doubleheader victory, 2-1 and 6-3. Bob Moniz won his second game with a fine 3 hitter while young Chris Rielly won the second game of the twinbill. Steve Periera came in in the final inning of each game for the final out in each to get two saves for the day.

The Owls had won a record 8 straight games and headed for St. Andrews College in Laurinburg, North Carolina. St. Andrews, not a powerful team, but a competitive one had a lot of the Owls winning ways and were determined to make an impression. By the end of the day the Owls were indeed impressed by losing scores of 10-5 and 10-3. The first game the Owls never hit so well or so hard....but all were outs. The second game saw the disheartened Owls make a record 7 errors.....all that coupled with a tired WSC pitching staff (four doubleheaders in four days!) made the twin killing for St. Andrews look easy and made the Owls 8-2.

For Westfield it was on to Norfolk to defeat a stubborn Norfolk State team 11-5 and 4-3 (in a rain shortened game). Mark Spencer, in first inning relief of Casey Barry won the first game (his second win) and Ed LaMagdelaine took the second contest. Joe Seckler had 2-run homers in each game for the Owls raising his home run total for the trip to three, while hitting .313.

Flipper On Intramurals

April 1978

By Chuck Morgan

Recreation Intramurals have really got rolling this semester. Along with a record number of basketball teams, the spring season has brought two new record high numbers of teams with 45 for hockey and 55 for softball. Basketball ended this year with some real exciting championship games. Winner of the Mens' Div. 1 Championship was AWT with their win over the Nats by 1 point. The Nats had to play the last minute and a half with only three players due to foul trouble. Dan Lundon and Jim Quesnel played super for the winners and Joe Seckler was the leading scorer for the losers. In Div. II action HEMP took apart Morechick towards the end of the game with their size and excellent outside shooting after being tied at the half.

In Womens' action, TNS squeezed the Div. I title from Whip City by two points. A real close game all the way. Miserable B's also took a close one from Bushes with Jeanine Gauthier playing a super game. Both of the winning women teams were the underdogs going into the championships.

As you all will remember, winter came a little early this year and left its calling card on the once green soccer turf, turning it into a flat white x-country skiers' practice area. So, the finals of the Intramural soccer games could not be played. It is pretty hard to play soccer on snow shoes even for Pele. So, this past week the playoffs began and finished. Along with them went some long hoped for championships tossed around for the off season. The underdog team once again came up with an upset. AWT put Houstons' great record of no losses and no goals scored upon them to rest as they came out, with a little help from Frank Valleralli and Ed Quigly, and beat them 2-0 in overtime. A fine display of footwork was given to those who took the time to get out to the turf to view the games. TNS took the womens' title away from the Flyswatters in a great game. If this kind of soccer is any indication of what the Womens' Soccer Team is looking forward to, their season will be a real exciting one.

For those of you that had taken the time to go out and see any of the Mens' Varsity Basketball games you would have viewed some excellent foul shooting by Mr. Time "Gerber Faced" Farrell. Not to be out-done by Mr. Farrell, Recreation Intramurals held its own foul-shooting contest and Bob Moniz was the champion. He will recieve the Gerber Award at a later date. He sank 40 of 50 shots in the shoot-out. Take that Tim. Mike Sanson and Chris Rielly both took second with 39 of 50 followed by Tom Fisher and Joe Seckler with 38 of 50. Way behind in the magical fourth position was Mr. Bob Coughlin with 37 of 50. Too bad you couldn't do that while playing for Brunski you rat.

Water Polo finished up Tuesday night with Gandolf and Co., bringing a few tricks and overcoming a strong Guttercats team. Gandolf went the season undefeated and with Bob Strom at the head and other teammates, they showed the people who came to watch how the game is really played. A super tension packed game was played and only when it ended was either team sure of the outcome. A 7-6 victory kept the top team from being defeated. A good job Bill, and also Steve, in setting up the season. AWT placed Third in the battle losing to the Guttercats by two Monday night.

It is now the season for hockey, so get out your sticks and head for our own artificial ice moved from the baseball field inside our gym and have a great time, even if you don't win. The Women are having a better time than the men it seems. Watch your legs Red. Also softball starts Monday April 10th so grab your mit and head to the drier softball field and have a ball. See you all out there!

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Street Hockey Still Thrives

By Jeff Connell

Springtime means putting restless tennis raquets and dusty baseball mitts back into action. Yet drop by the gym some early evening and you'll see that hockey pucks are still flying at Westfield State College.

Intramural indoor street hockey excitement began last week with a large number of teams facing off in both the men's and women's leagues.

Street hockey has been played for years, however its popularity skyrocketed and attained epidemic proportions in the early 1970's. The interest in the Boston area in particular was instigated in those days by the success of Bobby Orr and the "Big, Bad Bruins," who were terrorizing the National Hockey League and making mincemeat out of their opponents.

They did it with a cooperative combination of style, toughness, and charisma, and all those Bruin qualities were soon to be emulated in the streets in staggering numbers. Y'Know? It wasn't that long ago.

The same kids who would have given up Christmas for a Boston Garden hockey ticket were looking around the city and seeing that ice was expensive, and also scarce. Or perhaps it just wasn't cold enough for the flooded tennis courts to freeze over. There had to be an answer, and the street was it. However instead of pocket knives, kids were carrying Cooper Superblades.

A whole line of street hockey equipment followed. A special goaltender's mask designed for street hockey even appeared on the market. The mask was inevitably worn by either the fattest kid in the neighborhood, or the one with the bulkiest clothing (street hockey's answer to Ken Dryden). It would soon have imaginary stitches magic-markered all over it just like B's goalie Gerry Cheevers' face-saver.

All of Orr's spectacular moves and shifts were imitated in the street without, of course, those powerful yet magical strides. Steel blade and ice never met in the street.

On so much asphalt and concrete you would see a Derek Sanderson sweep-check, a Phil Esposito "snap" - shot, and many a "Pie" McKenzie elbow to the jowls.

Those plastic street hockey superblades would (and still do as you can see in the gym) attach neatly onto a sawed-off ice-hockey stick which had broken. Then you could heat them over an electric stove to form a bananna curve (who needs a backhand anyway?). Wow, maybe now a slap shot like Bobby Hull's! It seemed some plastic would always drip off of the overheated blade all over the stove, and the resulting smell meant potential disruption of the family peace. Well, uh, it's part of the game.

Shot after shot, the spark of plastic against asphalt, and soon the blade would wear down to a sliver. You'd wait until the blade was practically non-existent, or at least unplayable, rather than go through the goddamn stove routine again.

There was the whole new thrill when plastic street hockey pucks were available, and designed to glide over asphalt. Funny, it seemed they always rolled more than glided, often into a gaping sewer hole in the curb, which appeared to smile back at us menacingly after devouring yet another puck or ball.

It seemed as though slap shots were always taking off. Way over the crossbar and, "oh-oh! It's gonna go through Riley's kitchen.....window. (For chrissake I told ya we shoulda used the tennis ball)."

Here at WSC the action is indoors. Okay, maybe we should call it floor hockey. There are a few more rules now. There are no windows to break, no cars to elude, and the wooden floor is a hell of a lot softer than concrete. Yet our WSC gym could be anywhere; a paved park or a street in Boston, a beach parking lot in the Cape Cod off-season, or the Forum in Montreal.

Yes we're here at WSC, and many of us who grew up with street hockey are still at it. If growing up means getting rid of the old Northland Pro with its ninth superblade then forget it!

For some of us, it's more than just a super game and a workout.....It's a link with the past.

WATER POLO STANDINGS
[Not Including Playoffs]

	W	L	T
1. Gandolf & Co.	11	0	0
2. Guttercats	9	1	1
3. Jaws	8	1	2
4. AWT	7	3	1
5. Machine	6	4	1
6. Seamen	8	5	0
7. Suite I	5	5	0
8. Bleached Whales	3	8	0
9. Blasted Again	2	8	0
10. Berkshire Rats	2	9	0
11. Conventioneers	1	10	0
12. 52nd	0	10	1

INTRAMURAL AWARDS NIGHT TO BE HELD THURSDAY, MAY 11th - 7 PM

The annual Recreation-Intramural Athletics Awards night will be held this year on Thursday, May 11th at Wilson Aud. All championship team awards will be given out for the years sports teams. Individual and team awards, such as the Banacos Cup, the Sportsmanship Award and more will also be given at that time. All the Championship Basketball Teams will be given special award jerseys from the Schlitz Brewary Company and the S. and S. Distributing Company of West Springfield. Refreshments and sport movies will also be scheduled for that evening. ALL STUDENTS ARE URGED TO ATTEND!

SOFTBALL PLAYOFFS

THE TOP FOUR (4) TEAMS IN ALL DIVISIONS (Mens' and Womens' Leagues) **WILL BE ENTERED IN THE SOFTBALL LEAGUE PLAYOFFS FOR THIS SEASON.**

The Softball League Playoffs will be held Thursday, May 4th, Monday, May 8th; with the semifinals being held on Tuesday, May 9th and the Finals on Wednesday, May 10th.

Teams making the playoffs will be notified by the Recreation-Intramural Office. Selections will be made on a won/loss percentage basis.

STREET HOCKEY PLAYOFFS

THE FIRST THREE (3) TEAMS IN ALL DIVISIONS (Mens' and Womens' Leagues) **WILL BE ENTERED IN THE 1978 WSC STREET HOCKEY PLAYOFFS.**

All the playoff games will be played Tuesday, May 9th, 3:30 through 9:30; and also Wednesday, May 10th, 3:30 through 9:30. Both the Womens' and Mens' Championship Games will be played on Thursday, May 11th; at 3:30 and 4:30 P.M.

All Playoff teams will be notified as to when they play. Selections will be made on a won loss percentage.

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WSC Women's Softball Highlights

On Thursday, April 6, the softball team met strong competition in the form of the University of Connecticut. The opposing pitcher, only a freshman, controlled the tempo of the game enroute to a 6-1 UConn victory. Westfield had trouble adjusting to the speed of the UConn pitchet, who allowed but four hits and four walks in her teams' first game of the season. Collecting the four hits for the Owls were Maureen O'Connell, Janet D'Entremont, Nancy Janhunen, and Marian Tully. Cheryl Condon recorded her first loss against two victories by allowing six hits and five walks.

April 13 - Thursday. . . a day long to be remembered by the 1978 Women's softball team. Springfield College fell twice to the charged-up Owls by scores of 4-2 and 9-6. In the opener, the Owls scored three times in the first inning via six walks and one Springfield error. The home team added one more run in the 5th frame on a Julie Brockelman home run.

Holding Springfield at bay throughout the game was Cheryl Condon, who pitched courageously. This game had no dull moments for Cheryl as she pitched out of a number of jams. Cheryl allowed nine hits with Cheryl Murtagh of Springfield accounting for both of her team's runs with a two run homer in the sixth inning.

Game two continued where the first one ended. Westfield collected eleven hits and nine runs in an exciting 9-6 triumph. Cindy Tessicini pitched a seven hitter and allowed but one walk in recording her second victory. Nancy Janhunen led the way in hitting with a grand slam that broke open a game in the third inning. Other Owls who hit the Springfield pitcher well were Lany Dunbar and Jody Reale with two hits each.

Against Springfield, Westfield could do no wrong. When the UMass squad visited the campus, they could do no wrong as they thoroughly defeated the Owls in the first game 9-2 and came from behind to win in the second game 11-6. UMass pounded 16 hits off Cheryl Condon as her record dipped to 3-2. Westfield could only manage four hits with Jeanine Bourke hanging out a two run homer.

Through the first five innings of game two, Westfield had a 5-2 advantage and a split with UMass seemed probable. But by the end of the sixth ining, the Owls were down 9-5 as UMass scored seven times in that marathon sixth inning. The Owls had several chances to score but the runners died on base. Cindy Tessicini recorded her first loss as she gave up nine hits and four walks. Westfield also committed four errors beat themselves.

Next stop for the Owls was Worcester State on Sat. April 22. The Owls dropped two games to Worcester by scores of 1-0 (eight innings) and 10-3. The first game was a pitcher's duel with Westfield managing only three hits and Worcester collecting four off Cheryl Condon. In the bottom of the eighth inning with a runner on first, Worcester State's Kathy Wilson blasted a long double into left field scoring the only run of the ball game.

In game two, Westfield scored early but that lead was short lived. After one inning, the Owls were down 4-2 and from then on Westfield lost hope. Worcester banged out 10 hits, as Cindy Tessicini picked up the loss. Her record is now 2-2.

Westfield regained its winning form on Monday, April 24, at Salem State by taking two decisions 8-5 and 3-2. The Owls had timely hits by Marian Tully, Jeanine Bourke, and Cheryl Condon, who all had two ribbies each. Cheryl's record is now 4-3 as she mowed down the last 12 batters. Marian Tully made a Mark Belanger catch of a line drive in the 7th inning that had the spectators wishing for an instant replay.

In the second game, Cindy Tessicini scored the winning run in the 7th inning and then finished up with her third victory by pitching a three-hitter. After a troublesome first inning, Cindy allowed but two baserunners the rest of the game. Nancy Janhunen, Kathy Luro, and Cindy Tessicini all had two hits in leading the Owls to their seventh victory against five defeats.

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GARY BEARD. . . . . BEST ALL-AROUND FIRST-BASEMAN EVER AT WSC?

Gary Beard, the senior lefthanded firstbaseman of the Baseball Owls could very well prove to be the best first-sacker WSC has ever had. Gary has played in over 85 games with the Owls and has committed only six errors in his three years to date. He has batted .321, .339, and .393 If he continues, Gary will probably gain the number one spot in the all-time records of highest batting average by a four year career player. His statistics show exactly how important Gary is and has been to the Baseball Owls.

Gary's defensive skills at firstbase are a pleasure to watch. Many potential wild throws by infielders are saved and turned into outs by Beards' ability. His aggressiveness and determination has helped him in his successful career here at Westfield State.

Even with all the good statistics, Gary Beard has never been given any acclaim, never been named to any All-Conference Team, or All-New England Team or All-Tournament Teams. His performance has gone unnoticed, except by his teammates and coach. They know how much Gary Beard means to Westfield State Baseball, especially after the 1978 Southern Trip!

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Owls Shake Slump

By Jeff Connell

The Westfield State College Baseball Owls broke out of a two-week slump last Thursday with a home doubleheader sweep of Boston State.

Despite the sour start, which saw the Owls win just two of six games, their season mark stood at 21-7 as of April 29th. Important twin-bills were coming up against the University of Lowell and Mass Maritime.

The stretch included jolting losses to New Haven 14-4, and Eastern Connecticut 15-1.

"But the kids won't forget when it comes time for the tournament," Coach Ken Magarian warns.

Barring a disaster May 1st in Buzzards Bay vs. Mass Maritime, the Owls should win the conference, and if they play the way they're capable they'll make it into the NCAA Tournament for the fourth year in a row.

"On the other hand if we go back into the state of unconsciousness we were in we won't make anything," Magarian said.

Fred Simm pitched a shutout in the Boston twin-killing, and was the stopper WSC needed so badly. Simm has had an outstanding year. The senior co-captain from Methuen was named New England Player of The Week for the second year in a row thanks to his April heroics. Simm went 14 for 18 with 4 homers (one a grand slam), and 17 RBI's, along with a masterful complete game on the mound in Salem.

With all the outstanding seniors leaving this year Coach Magrian believes WSC will continue to put a fine team on the diamond. There's a fine crop of underclassmen ready to step in and do the job, not to mention the recruits.

"We have a great crop of high-school seniors coming in next year. I know of four outstanding pitchers coming here, two of which will definately make the roster. They're that good," Magarian said.

The freshman baseball squad has looked impressive under the helm of Coach Frank Halper who has done a great job with the kids. John Veniziano and Scott Thomas have been two standouts.

Women's Track Shines

By Brian Pienta

The WSC athletic community should recognize the achievements of the fledgling women's varsity track team. Under coach Bill Dillon, the team which underwent its first season of varsity status this year, compiled a surprising meet record of 5 wins and 1 loss. In addition, the team placed seventh at the Bridgewater Women's Track Classic.

Standouts for this year's squad are Maureen Hanley in the 880 yard run, Bev Parsons in the weight events, Mary O'Neill in the hurdles and sprints, Joanne Salzmann in the mile, Denise Fournier in the quarter mile and Nancy Sandock in the mile.

The team will be participating in the New England Women's Championships on May 6.

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Remaining WSC Baseball Home Games

Mon. May 8th vs. R.I. College(2)

Sat. May 13th vs. Fitchburg (2)

(Rescheduled Game)

GARY MINDEL WINS BASKETBALL One On One Tour

Senior Gary Mindel (Springfield) won the 1978 Basketball One On One Tournament this year. The Tournament was scheduled for the third week of March, but due to the availability of time in the gym, could not be held until this past weekend.

Mindel outpointed Joe Boland in the final 22-18 to win the championship. Gary Mindel defeated Tom Convery, Dave Finch, Brien Marlbough and then Joe Boland in the final game. Joe Boland had to beat some good competition also on his way to the final. Boland defeated Dan O'Connor, Scott Varin, Paul Castonguay and then lost to Mindel.

Gary Mindel was also the top vote getter of his peers this past season as the NUMBER ONE WSC Basketball All-Star player this past season. It is very obvious that the students here at Westfield know who is the best; at least this year, that person is GARY MINDEL. . . .

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Women's Softball Standings

WOMENS

DIV. I		DIV. II	
Lippet	4-0	White City	3-0
Fubars	2-0	High Flyers	3-1
Rompers	2-0	TNS	2-1
Dunbes	1-0	Bowl St.	2-0
Phi Perkam	1-0	Walkers	1-2
Miserable B's	1-1	R & D	1-3
Meadow	1-2	Bubblegum	0-1
Cooties	0-1	Better Team	0-1
Kappa Dana	0-2	Better Team	0-1
Bombers	0-2	Snappers	0-3
		Owlettes	0-3

*Some scores of womens games not included.

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About That Blue Fence. . .

By Jeff Connell

Let's call it the Blue Monster.

Someone walking between Scanlon and Parenzo in mid-April inquired, "Hey, what's that blue thing over there?"

Peering into the not so distant distance another said, "I dunno, let's go take a closer look."

What the pair of adventurers soon discovered was WSC's own long-awaited baseball fence, and initial reactions to the barrier were mixed. Some felt it added color to the campus and looked good. A nostalgic student said the color and material reminded him of his good old backyard wading pool.

Well, whatever the student response, the fact is that fence was badly needed, and constructed only through the efforts of the WSC Owls Baseball Team.

The cost of the nylon safety fence was around $494.00 plus the cost of a machine rental, and the money came completely out of the baseball funds. The materials were delivered by the fence company, and the baseball team spent an entire day putting the fence up with assistance from some of the college maintenance men.

"We couldn't afford to have the company put it up themselves, but one man who sold us the fence spent some time showing us what to do," WSC Baseball Coach Ken Magarian said.

The Blue Monster sprawled into our lives because an outstanding ballclub like the Baseball Owls deserves to play in a ballpark.

"To play a real baseball game you have to have a fence. You can't just let a ball roll for a homerun," Magarian said.

People used to walk through the outfield in previous seasons completely oblivious to the fact that a ballgame was going on. Such strolls were very embarrassing to the home club, and potentially fatal to the wanderer. Ah, but the shortest distance between two points is still a straight line.

"We cut an opening in the fence in center so people from Davis could walk right across to the Student Union, and people from Lammers could walk across to the cafeteria," Magarian said.

Distances from home plate to the fence are 310 down the leftfield line, 405 to straightaway center, 320 to right, and 360 in the gaps. You may wonder why the fence curves inward in left. No, it's not a power porch for the Owls right-handed sluggers. It's only 310 down the line because of that big pine tree.

"We didn't want to have a mickey mouse ground rule because of the tree," Magarian said.

That blue nylon may not look very durable, but the give in it for safety purposes came into play a couple weeks ago when a North Adams State left-fielder drove over the fence to snare Kevin Moore's disputed three run homer.

Despite the superb N.A. effort, the umpires ruled that when he had possesion of the ball he was out of the ballpark. Had the fence been solid, however, the outfielder might have been suitable for burial right out there under the pine tree. The North Adams baseball hierarchy is still saying his catch was legitimate.

Aside from one deceptively costly vandalism incident in right-center April 16th, the Blue Monster has held up extremely well.

"We're very happy with it," Magarian said.

The fence is only up for the baseball season and will come down immediately following. The Owls may have a new field and permanent fence by next year. Work on the new site behind the soccer field should begin early this summer.

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12 And 5 For Trackmen

By Brian Pinata

"The men's varsity track team is the most successful team on campus; and it will continue to be for the next several years," said coach Jerry Gravel.

This season's record of 12 wins and 5 losses in dual meets, and more importantly, WSC's winning of three of the last four Conference Championships (1974, 1975 and 1977) adequately support Gravel's statement. According to Gravel, the team will continue to be successful because most of the team is returning with the exception of four seniors who participated in the middle distance and distance events.

"Most of the team is made up of underclassmen, with a large percentage of freshmen and sophmores," he said. Some of the freshmen in particular have turned in surprising performances. Joe Mandile, a consistent performer in both the shot put and discus events, is one of several freshmen who proved to be assets to the overall team effort. Both Luis Pizarro, a high hurdler, and Chip Provost, a 440 yard intermediate hurdler were impressive in their respective events. Setting a mark of 14 feet 2 inches in the pole vault, Tim Tierney broke the school record as well as qualifying for the New England Championships. Probably, the most outstanding freshmen is Rich Fisher, who performed consistently well in both the high jump and javelin events.

Overall depth is another reason for the team's successes this season.

"This is the best team I've had depth-wise," said Gravel.

"This is the first season in which there have been outstanding performances in every event."

"We had more strength in the field events; and more people qualified for the Eastern Championships."

A good example of WSC's depth is Russ Bosbach, who won four events at a meet on April 15, and five more at a meet the following Saturday, April 22. The team also possesses a strong mile relay team, composed of Bruce Labonte, Peter Davenport, Scott Anderson and Time Nee, which should qualify for the National Championships. Bob Grandfield has added depth to the distance corps with his standout performances. Finally, Steve O'Connor's consistent throwing has made WSC strong in the javelin event.

While WSC may have been successful overall, the team's true success is the number of individual performers who have qualified for post season competition.

"Our main objective is to prepare for the championship meets," Said Gravel.

"This season, more performers have qualified than ever before."

In total, eighteen individuals have qualified for the Eastern Championships to be held May 6 at Bowdoin College, and three have qualified for the National Championships. The three tracksters who qualified for the Nationals are: Doug Bonora, who threw the hammer 171 feet 9 inches, Russ Bosbach, who triple jumped 46 feet 7 inches, and Kevin Crowley, who turned in an excellent time of 9 minutes and 32.1 seconds in the steeplechase.

"On the basis of the individuals who have qualified for the championship meets, I would say we have been successful," concluded Gravel.

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WSC Launches Fall Season

The Westfield State College Baseball Program is off and running in their annual Fall Baseball Season. This part of the year is directed to establishing the final team which will take the field in the Spring. Last year the Baseball Owls completed a fine regular season (30-8) and made the Eastern NCAA Tournament for the fourth straight year. They lost their two initial games (to Ithaca, the eventual winner and National runner-up, and Rhode Island College).

A record 86 candidates have been trying out for the 40 man Fall Squad. That squad will be finalized this week. By the end of the Fall Season the Varsity and Freshmen teams will be selected from the 40 man Fall Roster.

Leading the Baseball Owls this year will be Tri-Captains Joe Seckler (Pittsfield), Ed LaMagdelaine (Holyoke), and Ralph Barry (Hudson). Assisting Coach Kenneth Magarian this Fall are Alumni Carl Steele (property of the Boston Red Sox, played this past season for the pennant winning Bristol Red Sox) and Mark Panaccio (Holyoke) who just signed for the Milwaukee Brewers.

Special Old Timers Day Planned For Oct. 14th

As part of the 1978 Westfield State College Homecoming Alumni Weekend (Oct. 13-15) a Special Old Timers Game is being planned. Players from as far back as 1946 are expected to return the Western Avenue Campus to participate. More detailed information will be released soon. Not only will there be a Baseball Old Timers Game, but also that same day a Soccer Old Timers Game. The entire weekend will provide many interesting activities and game.

15 Veterans Return For Varsity

Leading the squad for the Veteran Owls Baseball Team this year are the captains Joe Seckler (Pittsfield) the regular rightfield, pitchers Ed LaMagdelaine (Holyoke) and Ralph Barry (Hudson). Barry was out most of the '78 season with a sore arm. Mike Ciampa (Reading) the centerfielder and Kevin Moore (Walpole) the rightfielder are back for the '78 season. Mark Spencer (Lynn) one of the best Owl pitchers in '78 will also play first base this year. Bob Verdolino (Framingham) will return at second base. Dave Bevan (Danvers) played part time last year at third and has the job full time in '78-'79. Sharing short this year are second year men Rob DelBianco (Rutland) and Bob Payne (Worcester). Alex Masel (Reading) will be back for his 4th year behind the plate along with Tom Vatcher (Swampscott). Other pitchers will be Steve Periera (Fall River) who set a school record with seven saves, Jim Devaney (Watertown) and Bob Sullivan (Billerica) rounding out the veteran pitching crew.

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Owls Capture Cup

By Jim Patis

For the second consecutive year, Westfield State captured the coveted Smith Cup, which symbolizes overall athletic excellence for the Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference.

The Cup, which was named for former State College Trustee Howard Smith, has been in the posession of Westfield State for four of its six years. Westfield and Salem alternated posession from 1971-1975 until last year Westfield became the first school to earn the cup in two consecutive years.

Scoring for the Smith Cup is based on a system of points regarding the final conference standings for their teams. Men's sports that quality for competition include soccer, cross-country, basketball, hockey, gold, tennis, and track. In 1976 the women's sports of tennis, field hockey, basketball, volleyball, and softball were incorporated into the scoring system, which is where it stands today.

In scooping the cup for the 1977-78 year, Westfield earned 27 points of a possible 51 for a commendable percentage of .529. The nearest competitor was Salem with a total of 21 points for a .412 percentage. Lowly Mass. Maritime didn't earn a single point of a possible 27. The final standings for 1977-78 in order were Westfield, Salem, Boston, Worcester, North Adams, Fitchburg, Bridgewater, Framingham, and Mass. Maritime.

Vandals Hit Field

Vandals damaged the two foul poles on the baseball field last week causing problems for the weekend games for the baseball Owls. The damage was a deliberate act, for one of the foul poles was sunken with cement. The baseball team is conducting their own investigation and the school administration has followed—and will prosecute anyone damaging any state property. Since the entire upkeep and purchase of the fence and supplies are bought with money earned by the Baseball Team selling grinders, the team is a little upset to say the least.

Interested in Sports Writing?

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Intramurals On And Running

Flag football and volleyball are the first two activities this fall for Recreation-Intramural Athletic. A total of 20 mens' and womens' teams are entered this fall in the respective leagues. The defending mens' champion The Professorlatics will be out to make it two straight championships. Volleyball this season has a total number of teams set at 581 Volleyball this season has a total number of teams set at 581 —

Volley ball is played in the gym each night, Sunday through Thursday, from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Football is played at the Astro Turf field from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday.

Upcoming Intramural Activities

Soccer - October. Co-Rec Volley ball - October. Cross Country Run - October. Campus All Star Football Game - Saturday, October 14th. As Part of the All Campus Alumni, Homecoming Weekend!

Special Recreation Time To Be Announced Shortly

The Recreation-Intramural Athletic Department has announced that a Special Recreation Period (mostly during weekends) will be put into effect by the first of October. All members of the WSC community will be able to use the gym, astro turf field and other facilities for their own enjoyment. Equipment will be available to use. This time and use of facilities will be fully supervised.

Baseball Grinders Best Buy On Campus

Again this year the Baseball Team will be selling Baseball Grinders 7 nights a week. Those wishing to buy one can wait for the nightly visits by the players (who walk from dorm to dorm) or call Dial A Grinder (ext. 338) between the hours of 8 and 10 p.m. SPECIAL HOURS/TIME FOR APARTMENTS: Each night the grinder sales representative will be in the lobby of the Apartments Mailroom from 10:00 to 10:15 p.m. for those students living in the Apartment complex.

The team this year has Tuna, Cold Cut, and Ham & Cheese. The price (including delivery) is $1.25 All grinders are premium food fresh and tasty or full money refunded!

Special Apartment (mailroom) Grinder Sales Time (7 nights per week) 10:00 - 10:15 p.m.

Interested in Sports Writing? Join the OwlStaff Sportswriters Weekend! Rm. 236 Upstairs in S.U. Ext. 380

Seamen Win Mini Softball Tour

The Seamen softball team won the Mini Softball Tour last week by defeating the Conventioneers 6-2. Although the Conventioneers had the identical record of 4-1, the Seamen won the final playoff game. The members of the Seamen are; Scott White, Paul Braken, Kurt Everette, Dan Humbry, Paul Lablanc, Bob Heyner, Bill McKenna, Fred Marx, John Conroy, Rich Minitoli, Jamie Connolly, and Jim Collins. A great effort by the Conventioneers. Wait till the spring softball comes along.

Pananos

Mark Pananos [class of 77] Signed By Milwaukee Brewers

Lefthanded pitcher Mark Pananos (Holyoke) has signed a professional baseball contract with the Milwaukee Brewers. The southpaw control pitcher concluded a magnigicant career at Westfield State in May of 1977 setting and owning six All Time Records. Among some of them are; 71 strike outs in one season, fewest bases on balls, most starts (39 career) and most games (42). Pananos also leads the pitchers in lowest earned run average (225 innings or more) with a 2.41 average.

Mark also pitches in the Tri County League and was named pitcher of the year in 1977. Pananos was also named All Conference in College three times and All New England twice in his career. Mark will report to the Brewers Spring Traing camp in February. This fall Mark is assisting Coach Magarian with the Fall Baseball Program on campus.

Mark was born in Nashua, New Hampshire and moved to Holyoke in 1970. Mark played varsity volleyball at WSC along with baseball. He graduated with a BA in Math in 1977.

Karate Begins

By David Schildmeier

The Iron Dragon Karate School will be beginning its fourth year of classes on the Westfield State College campus starting September 19 in the Third World room beginning at four o'clock.

The classes will be conducted by Master Kalaii Kano Griffin who has over 25 years experience in the marshal arts. Master Griffin holds Black belts in seven different styles of Karate and Kung Fu.

He also holds a Fifth Degree Black Belt in Kenpo and Kashu Kenpo Kung Fu. The classes will consist of those styles. All students are invited to attend for the price of four dollars a week. Classes are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from four to five-thirty.

Leo Williams, a student of Master Griffin and also WSC, taught the class on campus for the last two years. Three students of the Karate school from Westfield State went on to win championships in tournament competition. One student, Sheila Maddden, won first place in the New Hampshire State Championships, in Kata division.

The classes will be mainly concerned with self defense. If a student wishes to compete Maste Griffin will give instruction to those students.

Women Underway

By Cathy Baceski

The Westfield State College women's field hockey team began practice on Wednesday, Sept. 6. The team lost only one member to graduation, but gained seven players from the class of '82, which proves to be a definite advantage to the squad.

On Sept. 14, the 25 member team had its first scrimmage with Springfield College. Senior, Susie Lento, scored the only goal on a drive just inside the circle. The fine team play enabled WSC to defeat Springfield 1-0.

Coach Freda Brown expressed confidence when she stated, "I have a very strong team."

The first game for the team was Monday, Sept. 18 at Wesleyan University.

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Field Hockey

By Margaret Toomey

The Womens Field Hockey team played thier first game of the season on Sept. 18th and went down in defeat at the hands of Wesleyan University at Wesleyan. The final score was 4-2. The only goals for WSC were scored by Suzie Lehto and Nancy Janhunen.

On Saturday, the 23rd, the team traveled to U-Mass. The weather presented an ideal day for a game. This was the first time the field hockey team ever played U-Mass. They were considered a powerhouse who didn't bother much with state schools.

Westfield was a bit more agressive in the first half as they came out ahead in a 1-0 lead at half time on a blistering shot by Sue Lehto. In the second half Westfield put another one on the scoreboard with a quick shot coming off the stick of Teri Padula. U-Mass came back in the middle of the second half to score a goal. This goal seemed to lift the entire U-Mass group who from that point on kept the pressure on in Westfields end, but the Owls held them off for the Big Win.

On Tuesday, the 26th, the team was on the road again, this time playing at Worcester. A manhole cover at center field did not seem to interrupt play too much as Westfield dominated throughout the game. The final score was 2-0. Goals scored by Diane Cwik and Gina Hopkins.

Thursday the team traveled to Framingham. Again Westfield dominated, scoring five goals to Framingham's one. Teri Padula lead all scores with two goals, followed by Sue Lehto Gina Hopkins, and transfer Diane Cwik, who contributed one each.

Coach Brown is using a new type of system this season. The team is using a 4-2-3-1 instead of the traditional 5-3-2-1. "With this system the team is able to support and contain the opposition with greater efficiency than when using the 5-3-2-1 system which most schools seem to be using," she said.

The players are looking forward to attending the Northeast College Field Hockey Association Tournament to be held at Smith College on Oct. 28-29. From this tournament individual selections are made and those selected will compete Nov. 11-12 in Maine.

The Owls have their first home game on the Turf Oct. 5 Other home game dates are: Oct 12 vs. North Adams. Oct. 14 vs. Central Conn. and Oct 21 vs. Jackson. COME WATCH!!

Oct. 1978

Big Homecoming Planned

By Steve Hurst

The Westfield State College Alumni Association is again sponsoring the annual Homecoming Weekend. This year it will be held from Friday Oct. 13th through Sunday Oct. 15th.

According to Nanci E. Salvidio, President of the Alumni Association, this year's Homecoming will be bigger than previous years due to the expansion in activities to be held.

Mrs. Salvidio said that this year, emphasis will be placed on the participation of alumni in the activities. Salvidio added that the members of the earlier classes are always welcomed because of their enthusiasm and support.

The activities will begin at 8 p.m. on Friday Oct. 13 with an evening of music. Featured during this evening will be Ken Manner, well-known pianist and member of the W S C Music Department, who will perform classical pieces as well as contemporary numbers. The evening will conclude with the W S C Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Donald Gastaroche, Chairperson of the Music Department.

Registration, campus tours, and a luncheon take place Saturday morning with greetings delivered by Mrs. Salvidio and Dr. Lawrence Quigley, Deputy Chancellor of the Mass. State College System, at 1 p.m.

During Saturday afternoon there will be a number of sporting events, which are open to alumni and the college community. These sporting events range from the Women's Alumni "Old Timers" Basketball game at 2 p.m. to the Second Annual Jimmy Bantens 6.5 Mile Road Race at 4 p.m.

At 8 p.m. a Monte Carlo night will be held in the Student Union Lounge. Mrs. Salvidio said that she hopes the student body will join the alumni at this event. She also mentioned that prizes will be distributed at the end of the evening.

Homecoming Weekend will end Sunday with a morning brunch in Bates Hall Cafeteria. Following the brunch there will be a special achievement award presentation to John Kurty. This Alumni Award is being given in recognition of Professor Kurty's impressive background as W S C's former soccer coach. Professor Kurty's coaching career spanned the years 1966-1977. He retired from coaching last year.

Mrs. Salvidio said that all the funds raised during the weekend will be used for awards, scholarships and the Alumni Archives. She also added that any member of the student body who wishes to help out during the weekend may contact her at the Alumni Office in the Student Union.

Mrs. Salvidio's final comment was that she is hoping for a big turn-out this year because they have tried to expand the program to please the entire alumni population.

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Jogging Clinic Oct. 11

A free informational clinic for joggers will be sponsored by the Department of Physical Education of Westfield State College on Wednesday, October 11. The clinic will take place in Wilson Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. It is open to the public.

Topics to be discussed include: how to get started, suggested developmental guidelines, flexibility exercises, running techniques, and equipment and environmental factors. The format will include lectures discussion, demonstration and a practicum. Participants should be dressed for participation.

Conducting the clinic will be Asst. Prof. Larry D. French, Chairperson of the Phys. Ed. Dept.; Phys. Ed. Instructor Charles Weinmann, Director of Athletic Training Studies and an NATA Certified Athletic Trainer; and Asst. Professor Gerard Gravel, the College's Cross Country Coach.

This is the first time the clinic has been offered at WSC. One of its aims, according to French, is to assist people in acquiring safe and proper jogging techniques "It is very important" he says, "to practice properly if you are to continue jogging without aches and pains."

1978-1979

Women's Soccer Kicks Off Year

By Cathy Baccaki

The Womens Soccer Club is in its second year of play here at Westfield State College. In the spring of '78, the women's squad never scored a goal. This fall however they proved they could compete with other area teams.

The women faced U-Mass early in the season. Last year against the tough U-Mass squad, the women never fired a shot on net. This year, although they not only shot, but scored a goal on the U-Mass team, they were defeated 6-1.

In the first game of the season, the club defeated Hampshire College 3-0. A freshman scored the first goal ever for WSC. The second goal was scored by a field-hockey player who had never played soccer in real competition before. A fullback scored the third goal. Coach Tom Convery played three complete teams in the course of the game. Every team member played the same amount of time regardless of skill or talent.

The second game of the season was played against Springfield College and WSC lost by a score of 2-0. Coach Convery, who donates his time, explained: "It was one of those days. We had about 25 shots on net and they had about 5. None of our shots happened to find the net."

Anyone wishing to play womens soccer is welcome to join the team. The team is managed in a very unique manner. Those girls who show up for practices are allowed to play in the games. Everyone who tries out for the team makes it, whether she is simply a beginner or a semi-pro. Every game the team captains vary. In this manner, hopefully every team member will have a chance to act as the team captain.

The girls will line up against Smith College on Oct. 12, and Mt. Holyoke on Oct. 26. Both games will be played away.

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Nov. 20 Yellow Submarine

Film animation changed for the better after this one. The Beatles defend Pepperland against The Blue Meanies. Disney was the loser. "All You Need is Love." "Eleanor Rigby, others.

Dec. 4-The Harder They Come

Reggae and Recolution. Jimmy Cliff in The Jamaican film that deserves a wider audience than it now has. Guts, humor, exuberance, and always the pulsating music reggae.

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Enemy righthander's pickoff move not quite good enough. (Photo by Don Blair)

Fall Baseball Fair at 13-4

Although the WSC Baseball Team is having a fair Fall Season (13-4, with 14 games remaining), the situation of having ONLY ONE VETERAN PITCHER, Co-captain, Butch LaMagdelaine, for the Fall Season is giving the team a real challenge! WSC's four losses were, 4-3 to Eastern (in the last inning), 4-2 to Western New England, 7-6 to AIC, and 4-2 to Oneonta State. In all four losses, Westfield gave up at least 3 unearned runs. The defense has been spoty at times, but again, a lot of Freshman have seen much playing time this Fall. Veteran WSC pitchers on the disabled list are: seniors, Casey Barry (co-captain), Steve Periers, Jim Devaney, juniors, Mark Spencer, Chris Rielly, and sophomore Bob Sullivan. Seeing plenty of action this season are Freshman pitchers: Dave Sabourin (holyoke), Tom Zona (Worcester), Kevin Foley (Worcester), Steve Joseph (Springfield), Ron Donovan (Quincy), Dave Chapdelaine (Springfield), Brad Sullivan (Somerset), Jay Nomakeo (West Springfield), and Bob Gallagher (Framingham).

Leading the hitters this fall are Bob Verdolino (.385), co-captain Joe Seckler (.381), Mark Spencer (.325) and Dave Bevan (.310).

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Cross Country 3rd

By Maureen Hanley

On Saturday, September 23, the Westfield State Cross Country team competed in the Southern Connecticut 5 mile Invitational, and amassed 49 points to place third overall behind S. Conn. and Marist College. A single point seperated the second and third place teams. Also entered in the meet were Wagner, Fairfield, and Southampton Colleges.

Westfield senior Kevin Crowley, last years Cod Fish Bowl individual champion, again took top honors, while recording his first victory of the 1978 season. With 2½ miles to go, Crowley pulled away from teammate Bob Granfield, and Steve Belter of S. Conn., and maintained the lead to the finish, with a time of 25:13. Granfield was 4th in 25:29.

Senior Donny McWhirter, back in good condition after an injury last year, ran his fastest 5 mile time ever, to take 7th overall.

Other scoring Owl runners were freshman Tom Bedard and Kevin Farren, along with sopho mores Dan Doyle and Mark Bugden.

Coach Gravel feels that the team may have been more successful with the presence of co-capt. Scott Bissaillon, and Scott O'Brien, both sidelined with injuries. Randy March and Dan Buckley, also absent Saturday, are being rested up for future meets. The freshman should prove to be more effective as they gain experience.

This weekend the Owls will travel to Amherst to defend their title in the Amherst Invitational.

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All-Star Football!

The second annual WSC Campus All-Star Football Game is scheduled for Saturday, October 14th, beginning at 3:30 p.m. on the campus softball field. Voting for the respective teams is going on now and the rosters are expected to be completed by Tuesday, October 10th. All Recreation-Intramural Athletic Football Team managers are reminded to have their All-Star ballots turned into the Office no later than October 10th.

Last years' game saw the Season Champions' (Professorlatics) upend the College All-Stars 21-6 during the Special Jimmy Banacos Welcome Home Day.

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Banacos Road Race Slated for Oct. 14

Westfield State College is getting ready to host the second annual Jimmy Banacos 6.5 mile Road Race set this year for Saturday, October 14. This year the race will be featured during the Colleges' Alumni Homecoming Weekend. (Oct. 13-15).

The road race is named after Jimmy Banacos (Watertown). (WSC Class of '72) was paralyzed in a lacrosse game in 1970 and has been confined to a wheelchair ever since. Any profits from this years' race will be donated to him. Hopefully, Jimmy and his parents will be able to attend, as they did last year.

That same day many other activities will take place at WSC, such as alumni games in baseball, soccer, and women's basketball. The All-Star Football Game is also slated for that afternoon.

All interested runners are asked to write or call the Intramural Office (ext. 238). Entries are being accepted up until 3:00 p.m. (Race time 3:30). All runners are asked to meet in front of the Student Union Building at 3:30 the afternoon of the race. For further information, contact Mr. Kenneth Magarian at WSC.

The scenic Road Race was initiated last year with over 50 participants from all over the state. Because of the competition from the New York City Road Race the number of runners was kept low. A $1.00 entry fee will be charged and trophies will be awarded.

Last years' winner was Stetson Arnold of Southwick with a time of 34 minutes and 59 seconds. Rich Walls of Lee was second (34.56) and Steve Snover of Westfield was third (36.08). The first woman to cross the finish line was Westfield's Nichole Hill with a time of 43.43.

The race will once again be sanctioned by the Road Runners Club of America and will be held rain or shine.

Oct. 1978

Profs Reign Again

By Jim Puttis

On a rain-swept astroturf field, with temperatures hovering in the mid-40's, the Champions of the Eastern Division, the Professorlactics, successfully defended their championship against the Western Division representatives, the Rats.

The Professorlactics won the toss of the coin, as this was to be an omen for the outcome of the game.

Steve Scott kicked off for the Rats, and Fred Marx returned the ball approximately to midfield. Several plays later, receiver Butch LaMagdelaine made a beautiful, over-the-shoulder grab to draw first blood and put the Professorlactics on top, 6-0.

On the ensuing drive, defensive back Fred Marx intercepted a pass by Rats' quarterback, Johnny Barrett, which set up a second LaMagdelaine touchdown, nearly identical to the first, and the Professorlactics found themselves with some breathing room to the tune of 12-0.

The remainder of the half hour proved to be a battle of the trenches with no team mounting a serious threat. Emotions were running high and tempers were flaring, but cooler heads prevailed and the Professorlactics entered the second half with a 12-0 lead.

As the second half began, the rain let up, as did the Professorlactics domination which they enjoyed in the first half.

The Rat's first posession of the half proved to be fruitless as they couldn't break the goal line, but momentum seemed to be shifting.

On the Rats next possession, the decision was made to go for a first down on a fourth and long situation and it paid off well as Johnny Barrett hit Jerry Kesser for the first down. Three plays later, Barrett and Kesser combined for another long gainer which was stopped just a few yards shy of the end zone. The next play Barrett kept it himself and ran it through the middle to put the Rats on the board and back into the contest.

On their next reception, the Rats obtained good field position via another acrobatic catch by Kesser and seemed well on their way towards tying the game and possibly sending it into over time, but it just wasn't to be. A few plays later, Butch LaMagdelaine put a crimp in the Rats' plans by intercepting a Barrett pass.

Yet, the "Big D" held the Professorlactics and the Rats were given one last shot, but the Professorlactics defense rose to the occasion and sacked Barrett in the end zone, pounding the final nail into the Rats' coffin, killing any hopes the Rats may have had of upsetting the defending champs, who, incidentally, have made it to the finals four of the last six years!

As the final seconds ticked away and the players were departing from the battleground, one member of the Rats summed it all up when he was heard to say, "Well, let's go get a keg!"

1978-1979

Even Shorthanded the Soccer Team Wins

By Jim Podis

The WSC Owls Soccer Team is currently enjoying a remarkable season with an 8-2 won-lost record.

In a recent game against Fitchburg State College, the Owls squeezed out a 1-0 victory despite playing much of the game shorthanded. Early in the game a WSC player was ejected from the game, and because of a new rule, when a player is ejected the offender's team must play the remainder of the game shorthanded by one player. Thus, WSC had to play more than half the game with ten players on the field instead of the customary eleven. Yet, being in unenviable position didn't phase the Owls one bit. They battled Fitchburg tooth and nail for the remainder of the first half, which ended in a scoreless tie.

During the second half, the Owls gained momentum and had many close scoring opportunities. With approximately 25 minutes remaining in the game, junior inside forward John Vasallo put Westfield on the board and sent Fitchburg on a long bus ride home. Next game is tonight on the turf at 7:30.

WOODY SHAW
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"In the Land of the Blacks" is a composition by Rene McLean that is an uptempo chart featuring Hampton, Shaw, and the composer on alto saxophone. Shaw gets to really stretch out on this one and proves his ability to combine bop, modal and free styles at its best.

This album has really fine soloists playing some musically and emotionally demanding arrangements.

Women's Volleyball Better

By Maureen Hanley

Already, Westfield's Women's Volleyball team has bettered their record of last year, and have high hopes of a winning season.

The Owls defeated Boston State in the first league game of the season - three games to none. After taking the first match 15-3, Westfield began the second match with a little more confidence. Freshman starter Jackie Heber brought an enthusiastic crowd to its feet by scoring 10 successive points, and upset Boston State's defense. Servers by Jo Gerding, Kathy Luro, and Pam Burke finished out the scoring, and resulted in another win, in Westfield's favor, 15-8.

At this point, it was assumed that Westfield not only won the match, but also the game 2-0, since it was announced that a 2 out of 3 match would be played. But a protest by the Boston State coach, who assumed that since it was a league game, a 3 out of 5 match would be played, brought the Owls back on to the court to play again.

Undaunted by the confusion, Westfield handed Boston State their third loss of the night by a score of 15-9.

Westfield was given a bye while Boston State competed against North Adams State, in a tedious game that ended in a 3-2 win for Boston.

Against North Adams, Westfield had a slow start, but remained on top with a 2-1 victory. North Adams 14-12 win in the second match was a result of a penalty given to the Westfield coach for taking too many time outs. The Owls bounced back into the third with a 15-5 match/game victory.

The team now posts a 3-1 season record.

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Cross Country Team Falls

By Maureen Hanley

A disappointed Westfield State Cross Country team returned Saturday afternoon, after an unsuccessful attempt to defend their Amherst Invitational title of the past three years. Amherst College was the victor this time around with 29 points, with the Owls a mere 2 points behind in second with 31. Fitchburg State compiled 81 points to take third, and fourth went to Trinity College with 94 points.

The Owls didn't have the depth to recapture first, yet there were some impressive results from individual runners. Senior captain Bob Grandfield was the individual champion this year with a time of 24:45 for the 5 mile course. This was Grandfield's first major victory of his cross country career here at Westfield. Kevin Crowley finished close behind in second to give Westfield a good one-two punch, and high hopes for a team victory.

But it was not to turn out that way. Only one other Westfield runner placed in the top ten. Sophomore Dan Buckley, running in his first meet this season, finished 4th with a time of 24:55.

In contrast, the Amherst team displaced Owl runners by placing five of their Harriers in the top ten.

Other scorers for Westfield were Donny McWhirter (11th), and Tom Bedard (13th).

The Owls travel to Boston this weekend to compete in the Cod Fish Bowl.

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Volley ball Champions

The volleyballs were flying in the gym last week when the final games of the 1978 Volley-

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Ball Playoffs were played. In the Women's final championship game, the High Flyers had to come from behind to nip the underdog Moonshiners in their third and final game of their championship match 10-8 in overtime! The Moonshiners took the first game 14-9, but were soundly beaten by the High Flyers in game two 15-3. The final game saw the lead change hands throughout the game, but the Moonshiners were in control at the end, but at the buzzer they only had a single point lead, . . . but they had the serve! The High Flyers won back the serve and promptly pumped three straight points past the Moonshiners for the Women's Volleyball Championship of 1978.

Members of the Championship High Flyers are: Janet Burke, Ann Marie Connolly, Jann Gray, Cheryl Gulchak, Lanny Dunbar, Carol Enos, Doreen Plante, Sue Lehto, Lisa Corbett, Dobbie Wilson, Brenda Vottaire, Laurie Gennaire.

In the Men's Championship game, THE HOUSE, led by Butch LaMagdelaine were challenged somewhat by the Boogers', led by Dan Cuddy. The House took the first game of the championship match 12-4, but the Boogers' came storming back to take the second game 9-6 in convincing fashion. The third and final game saw The House steak to a commanding 9-0 lead and coasted the rest of the way with a 14-5 victory.

Members of The House championship team are: Butch LaMagdelaine, Joe Seckler, Dave Bevan, Bob Verdolino, Mike Ciampa, Kevin Moore, Casey Barry.

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range if you know where to look for bargains. Bretton Woods Ski Resort in New Hampshire offers a three day (2 night) package that includes accommodations and lifts for a reasonable $43. A five day (4 night) package with lifts and lodging costs $65 (both packages are per person, double occupancy).

You can ski for relatively little money. All it takes is a little common sense and a lot of shopping around.

1978-1979

Women State Champs

NOV. 1978

By Margaret Toomey

The 1978 Women's Field Hockey Team are once again State Champions, compiling a 9-1-1 record. Their only loss came in their first game at Wesleyan University and they tied Salem State 2-2 midway through the season.

The team's success was attributed to the passing finesse and scoring punch of the forward line and the strength of a well disciplined defense.

Susie Lehto led the attack with 18 goals, followed by Diane Cwik with 8 and Teri Padula with 7. The main ingredient of the success of the forward line was their hustle and precise passing.

Overall, the Owls scored 38 goals to their opponents 13.

Westfield's superb defense proved to be awesome, allowing the most goals in one game to be four, which was in the season opener.

Coach Brown agreed that the defense made some crucial mistakes in their first game, but as the season progressed, the defense improved and allowed only 9 goals in the last ten games.

The success of the defense was attributed to the steady play of Mary Langan, Kim Lanzillotta, Patti Marceno, Jan McDougal, Beth Ratterike and Peg Toomey. Also outstanding on defense were the Owls two goaltenders Jan Gray and Karen Lindsay, who shared duties the entire season.

Last year the field hockey team made a bid to go to the Northeast Regional Field Hockey Tournament, but was turned down on grounds that they did not play high caliber teams.

This season Westfield attempted to strengthen its schedule by picking up U.Mass, but was ignored by U.Conn. Only through poor communications did they fail to also pick up Springfield College.

Although boasting an excellent overall record, including an impressive win over a tough U.Mass team, Westfield elected to attend the Northeast Field Hockey Association Tournament held at Smith College, October 27th - 29th. In this tournament, individual players are picked by a selection committee to participate in the Nationals, to be held next week in Washington.

The team was disappointed when only three players were picked for trials and only one player advanced from there. Goalies Jan Gray, Karen Lindsay and center Diane Cwik made trials with Diane being the only player to advance.

Many players expressed their views on the tournaments outcome saying, the system used to select players was unfair as it was noticed at one game that no judges were watching Westfield State, most judges and officials were from the Boston area away most of the teams, thus having seen many of these players play before. These factors could have made the difference in the selections.

One thing for sure — W.S.C. will be strong again next season as they only lose three players: Jan Gray, Susie Lehto and Peg Toomey through graduation.

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U. Mass Upset

By Jim Padula

In one of the most shocking upsets of this year's soccer season, surprising Westfield State downed powerhouse U-Mass 1-0 to the delight of a large crowd of WSC fans, and to the dismay of UMass onlookers, who have seen their once nationally ranked team drop four consecutive games to URI, UConn, Brown, and Westfield after compiling an 8-1 won-loss record.

The first half was a tight defensive struggle with neither team gaining many good scoring opportunities, though Westfield out shot UMass 7-3. The best chance of the half came from the foot of WSC's Dave Souza, but it was turned away [illegible] to a spectacular dive by one of the UMass goalies.

The crowd was buzzing at the half's end, and it seem as though the UMass partisans expected their minutemen to come out charging, but it was the Owls who provided the spark both offensively and defensively, continuing their domination which they enjoyed in the first half.

The Owls applied their best pressure of the game at approximately the ten minute mark of the half, by getting several strong shots on net, but none crossed the goal line.

The game winner came off the foot of WSC's scoring whiz, John Vassallo, who has averaged better than a point a game, (12 goals, 4 assists). This was not the first time this year that Vassallo scored the lone goal of a game. He accomplished this feat in an earlier game against Fitchburg State.

The victory, the Owls eleventh of the season to go along with four losses, qualifies them for post-season ECAC action, and could mean an invitation for NCAA Division III tournament play.

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1978-1979

Hoop Has Potential

DEC. 1978

The 1978-79 Westfield State Varsity basketball team has a mixture of youth, depth, experience, outstanding individual ability, and players who have tremendous enthusiasm. The potential for a winning season is there and all that remains is the hard work necessary to blend the above characteristics into a cohesive unit. So far the attitude of the team and the coaching staff has been very positive in the preseason practices but a lack of good defensive play is a major concern.

Head Coach Steve Sartori leads the Owls into one of the toughest schedules faced in recent years. In order to capture the Massachusetts State College Conference crown, Westfield has to contend with tough Boston State and Bridgewater State among others. In non-conference action, the Owls will be competing in two tournaments which include Springfield and American International College.

The junior varsity is coached by former Westfield State standout, Ben Adams, who has done an outstanding job of helping recruit fine young men to the program and preparing them for possible varsity action. Coach Adams' team is not big, but has quick players with good shooting ability.

Coach Steve Sartori said, "Despite two heartbreaking losses (one in OT) in the Codfish Bowl Tournament, we are optimistic about our basketball season. We were encouraged by the unselfish and enthusiastic attitude of our ballclub, and by the individual play of some of the players. Will Daniels (from Springfield, Putnam H.S.) had an outstanding tournament averaging 17.5 points. His fouling out with nine minutes remaining in the consolation game really hurt us. Co-captain Tim Farrell after fouling out early in the first game returned to form with 19 points in the consolation game. I was also pleased with the steady play of our guards Peter Hite and Ricky Moore. Pete averaged 13 points and six assists for the two games while Ricky (freshman from Technical H.S., Springfield) showed a lot of poise."

Sartori also said, "One of the major reasons for both losses was the lack of game experience of some of our players. In both games some of our veteran players fouled out and at the end of both games we made youthful mistakes, (2 seniors on roster). Hopefully we have learned from these mistakes. We are also looking for improvement in our rebounding and foul shooting."

"We are looking forward to participating in this (Mayor's) tournament and we have a lot of respect for the other three teams involved especially AIC which has a strong, well-coached squad this season," he concluded.

In a game vs. Fitchburg State, November 28 on the road, the Owls were victorious. After two losses in the Codfish Bowl, Westfield needed a victory in order to gain some confidence going into the Mayor's Tournament this Friday night against AIC. This was also a conference game (Fitchburg).

The starting lineup for Westfield was Peter Hite and Ricky Moore at guards, Brian Greenwood at Center, Tim Farrell and Craig Cuffie at forwards. Will Daniels did not start for disciplinary reasons.

In the first half, Fitchburg shot very well but Westfield stayed close on the playing of Tim Farrell and freshman Joe Hollins. Hollins came in off the bench to score eight points and five rebounds, while Farrell hit for 14 points. The halftime score was 32-28, Fitchburgs lead.

Daniels picked up three quick fouls in the first half so coach Steve Sartori went with a new lineup on the court. "Hite, Moore, Farrell, Hollins and 6'7" center Robert Westbrook started the second half, and quickly overcame Fitchburg lead. Once the Owls got rolling, it became a team effort with the following players contributing the most: Hite (7 assists), Moore (6 steals), Westbrook's intimidation on defense, Brian Greenwood off the bench to contribute four big points and rebounds.

As the game neared the end, the Owls had to make four foul shots, which they missed in the two opening losses in Boston. Under great pressure, Westfield converted 14 of 18 foul shots in the second half including two bonus situations. Near the end of the game, Tim Farrell and Peter Hite both made crucial one and one foul shot situations. Hite's came with about ten seconds left and made the score 70-65 and was the icing on the cake.

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Among those are Muriel Trotter, Diane Wiper, Bob Nichols, Glen Dombkowski, and Bruce Mattson. Thanks also to Dean Hiersche, who is always available to help a student in need, and who has worked hard to make the Exchange Program possible. Also to Mr. Schwartz, who coordinated the Variety Show.

If you missed the show, you'll not want to miss the next one. Start preparing your acts for next year!

Cwik: All-Star

By Margaret Toomey

Diane Cwik, a transfer sophomore from Lyndon State attended the 1978 Field Hockey Nationals held in Washington this past November 22 - 26. Out of six teams from the Northeast, Diane played on team two.

Overall, she had five goals and four assists in the three games she played in. Cwik was praised by her coach for her ability to set things up and make things happen. In one instance Diane was put in the game with her team trailing by two goals. She assisted on two goals to help get the tie. Five other members of this years team earned All-Conference honors. Those earning this honor are freshman Patti Marcone, sophomore Terri Padula, junior Mary Langan and seniors Susie Lebo and Peg Toomey.

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December 11's presentation included in its cast: Roman Alis, Joe Alverruz, Jan Beaudry, Leslie Bengtan, Debra Comiel, Bob Hamilton, Anne McCarthy, Linda Okula, Jane Pellows, Nancy Penn, Nora Reed, Tara Stepanian, Norma Whitaker, Andrea Erikson, and Sandy Tranfaglia. It was directed by Phil Shepardson.

Diane Cwik in action vs. Central Conn. (Photo courtesy of Margaret Toomey)

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1978-1979

Varsity Baseball Underway

Although it is still February, the Westfield State baseball squad has been busy preparing for their long up coming season since January 25. Pre-season workouts are the order of the day for the 24 man squad.

Since last October, when fall baseball ended, the varsity has been planning their conditioning for their departure on Thursday, March 8 for their annual Spring Southern Tour.

This year they open in Washington, D.C. with a doubleheader against the University of the District of Columbia; from there they travel to Norfolk for a doubleheader against rival Norfolk State. The next day, Westfield plays at Virginia Wesleyan (Norfolk) and goes on to Rocky Mount, North Carolina for a two day, three-game series with North Carolina Wesleyan, Jr. Wilson, North Carolina Jr. College. Finally, they play two games against Atlantic Christian College and then goes to a much looked forward to return trip and doubleheader against St. Andrews College. It was St. Andrews who took the wind out of the Owls' sail last year. When the WSC squad visited Laurinburg they were 3-0 (including four wins against division I schools), but St. Andrews had been following them in the newspapers all week and were ready. At the end of the day Westfield had been beaten twice 10-5 and 10-1. Ironically, they were the only two losses on the entire trip, which finished 10-2 with two games rained out.

After their games with St. Andrews, Westfield will head south for games against the University of Maryland at Eastern Shore and a doubleheader against Delaware State. A total of 16 games are scheduled making it the largest schedule they have had on their trip.

The Baseball Owls have a total of 44 games for their regular Spring Schedule and hope to repeat for the 5th straight year as participants in the NCAA.

Last year in two out of the past four they were in, they went to the final championship game before bowing out.

The players themselves have also part of the season the most difficult. All Pitchers and catchers work out from 7:00 to 8:30 each morning (Mon. thru Fri.) with the rest of the team (pitchers and catchers too!) working out from 3 to 5 p.m.; running, exercising and warming for conditioning. On weekends, they use the gym when it is available for fielding and hitting drills.

Last year, the Baseball Owls never got to practice outside until the first game on their trip.

This year they hope to get out for at least a few days before leaving on March 8.

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Street Hockey Almost Here

The Intramural Athletic Office has announced that rosters for the 1979 Street Hockey League will now be accepted for the upcoming season.

ROSTERS WILL BE DUE TUESDAY MARCH 20th...not later than 6:00 at the office with the designated forfeit fee paid and/or on file. Forfeits against teams in Basketball and/or, in Water Polo will count against and will not be accepted towards Hockey. The schedule is set to get underway on Tuesday, March 27. Games are expected to be played in the later afternoons as well as evenings up through 10:00.

Last year's varsity hockey players are asked to contact Vic Magarian for officiating assignments. Any students (or staff/faculty) wishing to participate, but unable to get on a team are asked to leave your name and phone at the Office to be placed on a team.

Last year became the first year that Street Hockey overcame all other sports here as the most popular, and this year is expected to be the same. Since the Varsity Hockey Team came here on their own, Intramural Street Hockey has taken off and has really caught on...more so with the women's leagues.

One team which will not be participating in the League this year will be CUMMAC. This team has since graduation (78) but before they did they set a record that may never be broken. For four straight years (yes four), from the freshmen year through their Senior year, their team was the best in the whole division they won the championship each year. The championship trophy is named after their team and the question is now...who will be the new champion for 1979. For the first time in four years, it will not be Cummac.

Intramural Basketball Playoffs Announced

The 1979 Basketball Season is winding down with teams attempting to gain berths in the playoffs. It has been known for that the top four teams in the Mixed Division II League. Each league has its own separate championship. Each year the Intramural officials attempt to balance the two separate Leagues; one being more competitive than the other, but again this year some teams have been misplaced. Usually the teams in question have beat the system and at this point in time in the season, it is too late to re-align the leagues.

The playoff schedule in the Womens' Leagues (Division I and II) are a little different. Because of the fewer number of teams, Division I will have the top three teams in the Playoffs this year from both the East and West Divisions. In the playoffs for Division II, the top four teams will be eligible to compete. The playoffs are scheduled to begin Tuesday, March 20 with games starting at 7:30.

1978-1979

Soccer Champs

The Seamen Soccer Team came on strong in the playoffs to win the League Championship. The Playoffs were postponed more than half a dozen times this past month due to snow and cold rainy conditions. Teams making the playoffs for the mens' division were: Headers, Bailiffs Boomers, Gutterrats, Lucky Largers, Killer Balls, House, Spicy Neward, Houston and The Seamen. Both Newart and The House (pre-playoff favorites) didn't survive till the finals. The Seamen themselves lost out to The House (only unbeaten team in the season). In the Championship game, Paul Bracker scored both goals in the 2-0 win over a stubborn Houston squad.

In the Womens' division another upset took place with the two power house teams, 766 and the Pike Porkers losing. The Pikeporkers and 766 finished up the season with 17 points each with the Powerhitter in third place with 16. Other teams in the playoffs were the Miserable B's, CGOC and High Flyers. In the championship game between 766 and the Powerhitters a sudden overtime goal with less then 2 min. to play before penalty kicks would settle the outcome, the Powerhitters poked a goal into the nets to win their championship 1-0.

A record number of teams (13) took part in the Soccer league this year.

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On Wednesday, December 20, a basketball fun shooting marathon will take place at the Westfield State College gymnasium. The event, named "JOIN THE TEAM", is for the benefit of the United Cerebral Palsy of Springfield and the Westfield State basketball program. The marathon is being sponsored by the Westfield State basketball team and the coaching staff will be the participants. The marathon begins at 1 p.m. and will continue until 4 bake sale will also take place at the marathon.

75% of the proceeds will go to the United Cerebral Palsy and 25% to the Westfield State Basketball program. Pledges by the marathon hour or an outright donation may be made at the door or by contacting the athletic office by phone 568-3311 ex. 405. Contributions may be sent to JOIN THE TEAM c/o athletic office, Westfield State College, Westfield, Ma. 01085 (checks should be made out to Westfield State College).

This event is coordinated with the first United Cerebral Palsy National Network Telethon and Join The Team will present its proceeds on television on December 30.

With plans and designers drawings now in the final review stage we can look forward to the start of construction on a new support facility for the Astro-turf field. It is expected that the Building will be erected during the late spring and completed during the summer.

The Building will be designed to meet equipment storage needs and will also include restroom facilities for teams and spectators at athletic events. One additional feature will be a first aid room, which can also function as a trainer's room. The plans may include a method of utilizing parts of the storage area and first aid room for use by home and visiting teams.

Funding for the Buildings was approved by the Legislature and Governor in January 1978. This $75,000 capital outlay project has been sought by Westfield State College for some time and is seen as an important addition to the site, as a step toward further development of the entire area, and of considerable benefit to students and guests using the athletic field facility.

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State Wins Tournament

Volleyball Champions

Westfield States' Women's Varsity Volleyball team participated in the second State Volleyball Tournament on April 11, 1970, at Worcester State College. All nine state Colleges participated in the single elimination tournament with a consolation round.

Westfield defeated Worcester (last years' champs) in the first round and then defeated North Adams in the second round and moved into a play-off position for the Championship game with Boston State College.

In the first game of the final match the competition was tight but the Owls pulled through to win the first game 17-15. In the second game of the match, Westfield won 15-10 to win the match two games to none.

Westfield was awarded the trophy for the State Volleyball Championship. Worcester State won the consolation round.

Team members for Westfield include: Marilee Savoie; Diane Elliott; Linda Reed; Kathy Johnson; Pat Howes; Lois Bowes; Lucy Martins; Lynn Thompson; Linda Levy; Joan Kane; Sandi Lamm; Janet Simons and Nancy Connor. The team is coached by Miss Carol Vermillion.

VARSITY SPORTS SCHEDULE

May	1	Golf at Worcester - 1 p.m.
	2	Baseball Worcester - 1 p.m.
	4	Baseball Fitchburg - 3 p.m.
		Tennis at Salem - 2 p.m.
		Golf W.N.E. - 1 p.m.
	7	Baseball at North Adams - 1 p.m.
		Tennis at Fitchburg - 2 p.m.
		Golf at Keene with North Adams - 1 p.m.
	9	Baseball at Boston - 1 p.m. (D)
	11	Tennis Plymouth - 2 p.m.
	12	Baseball at West. Conn. - 3 p.m.
		Tennis Boston and Worcester - 1 p.m.
	13	Tennis at Worcester - 1 p.m.
	14	Tennis W.N.E. - 2 p.m.
	15	Golf at East. Conn. - 1 p.m.
	16	Baseball at Rhode Island - 1 p.m. (D)
		Tennis Springfield - 1 p.m.
	18	Baseball at A.I.C. - 3 p.m.
	19	Tennis at Nicols - 1:30 p.m.
	20	Baseball Western Conn. - 3 p.m.

INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL SCHEDULE MEN

MONDAY, MAY 11	5:30	A	Schrieber vs. Diego Dominos
		B	Cash vs. Brotherhood
	6:30	A	Goodguys vs. Boomers
		B	Barron vs. Sodomites
TUESDAY, MAY 12	5:30	B	Fulano vs. ToPees
		A	Navy vs. Samson
	6:30	B	Bores vs. Diego Dominos
		A	Takoma vs. Brotherhood
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13	4:00	B	Goodguys vs. Comsat
		A	Nicols vs. Devilers
		C	Bores vs. Boomers
	6:00	A	Takoma vs. Samson
THURSDAY, MAY 14	5:30	A	Up and Coming vs. ToPees
		B	Fulano vs. Sodomites
	6:30	A	Cash vs. Barron
		B	Zoo vs. Sodomites

WOMEN'S INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

MONDAY, May 11
- 4:40 AMAB VS CHRISTOPHER ST.
- WOW VS EAST COAST HUSTLERS

TUESDAY, May 12
- 4:40 SPAZ VS D-TROOPERS
- RABBITS VS ZOOETTES

WEDNESDAY, May 13
- 4:40 MISTAKES VS EAST COAST HUSTLERS
- WOW VS NANOOKS FANNIES
- 5:45 TWANG GANG VS SCRIPTO
- ZOOETTES VS BASICS

THURSDAY, May 14
- 4:35 LITTLE PEOPLE VS NANOOKS FANNIES
- TWS VS GHETTO
- 4:40 RABBITS VS CRUCIALS
- 5:45 D-TROOPERS VS EAST COAST HUSTLERS
- AMAB VS HAGS

All Women's games are played at the training room.

Tennis Team Wins

The Westfield State College Tennis team won the Plymouth Invitation Tennis tournament held April 29 and 30 at Plymouth State College. Westfield coached by Mr. Hoerche and led by co-capts Jerry Quessel and Bill Enright captured seven points to the two-day affair to capture the trophy. Westfield attended the tournament along with Plymouth State, Salem State, Rhode Island and Worcester State. The Owls took first place with seven points, Salem was second with six points and Plymouth was third with four points.

Bill Enright won the first division singles trophy to give Westfield three points. The duo of Jerry Quessel and Mark Lynds captured the first division doubles trophy which gave the Owls six of their seven points. Bob Enright took second place in the first round singles for the other Westfield tally.

Overall Westfield now sports a 3-2 overall record. The Owls took 9-0 victories over both Keene State and Worcester. The Westfield losses came from undefeated BSC 4-3 and Salem State 4-3.

The positions on the team are as follows: Bob Enright has the number one singles position, Jerry Quessel, number two, Bob Enright number three, Mark Lynds, number four, Steve Brown, number five, and Walt Robinson, number six position.

In doubles competition, Jerry Quessel and Bob Enright make up the first position, Steve Brown and Mark Lynds the number two spot and Bill Enright and Bob Gaudin take the number three position.

Other members of the team not mentioned are: Charlie Tetrault, Al Beirne and Douglas Grant.

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Men's Volleyball

FEB. 1979

By Scott Cerrone

Serve, bump, set, spike, block, point. This is the ideal procedure to be performed during any intense clash between opponents in a volleyball match.. This is what the Westfield State College (WSC) mens' volleyball team strives for during practice which is preparing them for a 21 match reular season. Their '79' schedule began on Feb. 3 and extends to April 7, with a four tri-match home court schedule. The next home match, hosting Wentworth and Worcester Poly Tech, will be held on March 21.

Having existed as a WSC mens' intercollegiate volleyball team for eight years, the Owls have only two returning veterans this year. Under Coach Moran's three season guidance of the Owls, he is still stressing the fundamental skills of ball work, and is always encouraging new candidates to strengthen positions, as well as greater student body support.

Veteran Jim Carter cites team unity and enthusiastic underclassmen who hold great potential as the nucleus for a successful season. This year's team, having no exceptional standouts, are learning the essential aspects of the game together so as to become a cohesive unit.

This semester on the Student Union calendar the mens' volleyball games and times will be listed, so be watching for them. Also, I'm sure they would appreciate the student body's support, so get out to the gym to see their BUMP SET AND SPIKE IN ACTION!

A new activity has started this semester with the initiation of Saturday Night Basketball. Six teams have already been entered with the possibly of two more being added. The major difference in Saturday Night Basketball and the regular Basketball League is that on Saturday Night the game is a regular college game, full court, 5 on 5. The League is expected to go through mid April and participate in the Greater [illegible] Invitational Tourn[illegible]

ball Tournament held at Western New England College. Last year one of Westfield State's teams went on to play for the championship and lost that final game.

Teams entered this year in the Westfield State Saturday Night Basketball League are: Shea's, Bongers, Bob's Bombers, Rats House, and ALMA.

Games are held at 5:30, 6:45 and 8:00 each Saturday night at the gym.

IM Basketball Races Heat

With a little over three weeks remaining in the intramural regular basketball season, the leading teams are beginning to pull away. In the Women's Div.II race the Night Owls, the Spikers and the High Rollers, are the leading teams so far. In the Women's Div. I League; the East finds 766 still undefeated with Mac's 9 and Zig Zag in fast pursuit. Over in the West the Bushbangers, and the High Flyers are battling for first place with the Miserable B's and the Schpiclers trying to gain final playoff spots.

In the Men's Div. II races there are still some undefeatd teams. The East Main Street is in first place (5-0) with the Faculphycs, Sullys' Crew and the Freshmen on their trail. Over in the West, Teddy's Boys and House II are both at 4-0 at this time, but the Guttercats, the Headers and the Ribs on Wheels are giving them a chase for the playoff berths.

From the very beginning most thought that the championship game would be between the House and the Bongers, and here with three weeks to go, they are both undefeated. They met in the Jamboree back in November with the House winning by a single point over at Juniper Park. Both teams are at 6-0 and are expected to finish with identical 9-0 records. They may be challenged in the playoffs in their East and West Divisions of League I by the Black Soxs and the Dirty Basta's. Newark and Apple Pie have an outside chance, but everything points to a championship game in the Men's Div. I between the Bongers and the House. If that does happen, it will be some kind of game with the gym most likely being packed, with few, if any, seats available.

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To the Majors?

Carl Steele - Bristol or Pautucket?

Two former Westfield State College students will be in the sunny South very soon with their respective Major League Baseball Parent Clubs. Carl Steele was drafted by the Boston Red Sox in 1975 as a junior. Carl spent two years with Elmira, one year with Winter Haven (Fla.) and last year with Bristol (Conn.) in Double A. Carl is expected to be assigned to Bristol, but could move up to Boston's tiple A club in Pawtucket (RI). When Carl was playing baseball for the Owls he set many records which still stand, although he played only three years here. Carl holds the record for Most Runs Scored in a season (43) and Career Records which include Most Runs Scored (100) and Most Stolen Bases (72).

Mark Pananos, signed last summer by the Milwaukee Brewers, will be going to his second Spring Training with a Major League Ball Club. Before Mark signed last year, he was asked to come to the Yankees' Spring Training with the rookies. Mark was the last pitcher cut from the rookies and free agents last year. All others were given contracts. This year Mark will travel to Pheonix, Arizona. Mark hopes to assigned to either a single A club in California or possible to the Double A club in Holyoke; which happens to be Mark's home town. While here at Westfield, Mark set a school record with 71 strike outs in 77 innings pitched in 1977. Mark owns a number of Career records, which include: Most games (42), most starts (39 fewest bases on balls & innings. Mark also has one of the lowest ERA in the school's history: 2.41.

Both Carl and Mark have assisted Coach Magarian with the Fall Program this past September and October here at Westfield State. Carl Steele just finished up his degree program this past semester and received his diploma last week. Hopefully, this spring will be good for both of these fine young men from Westfield State.

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Mark Pananos - hurling to make it in Arizona.

Baseball News

OUT FOR SEA

Sophomore, righthander, Bob Sullivan (Billerica) will be sidelined the entire [illegible] season according to sources. The tall pitcher of the Owls learned his fate last week when he was examined by Red Sox team physician Dr. Pappas. Bob has suffered a severe tear in his shoulder sometime last spring and/or summer. He was unable to pitch in the fall and now Dr. Pappas has put Sullivan on prescription and will keep examining the young righthander until next year.

[illegible] college last [illegible] year (Two courses of [illegible] left)

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Beginning of Womens Soccer at Westfield State

Women's Soccer Here to Stay

MARCH 1979

Westfield State Women's Soccer is becoming more and more of a reality thanks to the pioneering done by Mimi Gleason, Diane Valentini, Mark Allen, Mark Fournier, and Tom Convery.

Mimi, a senior, has been interested in the sport of soccer since high school. Assuming college would be much more advanced in all areas of sport, she was shocked to find Westfield State College did not have a women's soccer team. After taking a soccer skill course with Coach Kerry, Mimi found many women to be very interested in the sport. With the help of Diane Valentini, a sophomore, the girls composed a team of approximately fifteen players. Practices were held and a few games scheduled on the turf. Many problems arose. The main one being that a coach was needed. The girls just could not coach and play the game simultaneously.

In the Spring of 1978 two volunteer coaches, Mark Allen and Mark Fournier, offered the team their services. Both men qualified for the job as they had had previous coaching experience and were players on the Varsity Soccer Team. Posters were distributed around the campus. The turnout was tremendous. Over one hundred girls signed up to play. Many had little or no previous soccer experience. This certainly was understandable as the high schools were just beginning to develop their own soccer leagues for girls.

With the hopes of securing some financial aid, the coaches accompanied the team to a Senate Meeting. The team, which would be now known as the Westfield State Women's Soccer Club, was awarded $300.00 for the semester. This amount went toward the costs of referees, transportation, and equipment. The goal of the Club was to become a varsity sport, and to compete on such a level. However, at Westfield State a team may only become a Varsity Team after remaining a club for two years and only then would it be funded by the Athletic Department. According to this policy, the Women's Soccer Club should become a Varsity Team in 1980.

The coaches worked on every skill area (heading the ball, trapping, passing, etc.) and stressed the importance of teamwork. All members developed their skills by the end of the season. No goals were scored during this season, but this did not discourage them.

The women came back strong in the Fall of 1978 with a 8-3-0 record and played such teams as UMASS, Springfield College, and Hampshire College. The team has a new coach who is also a Varsity Soccer Veteran. His name is Tom Convery. He, too, has done an excellent job. Practices were held on a regular basis. Games were scheduled on the turf and away. There were thirty five players on the team and all participated in every game. The Club was alloted $700.00 this season which went toward shirt uniforms, soccer balls, transportation and referee coats.

Bits and Pieces ...

The lacrosse team is preparing for a successful season under the direction of a new coach, Mike Gongas. The 28 players on the team are very versatile and all experienced players. There are 14 returning veterans and 3 talented freshmen that have a chance to start. Last season's record was 4-5, while receiving the Most Improved Team Award for their performance against MIT and Nichols. The team's goal is to be in the division III play-offs this season. Their first game is against Babson College on March 31, on our home turf. . .

Did you ever wonder how much profit the varsity baseball team makes on selling those grinders? Well, about $6,000 a year, but it all goes to good use as they foot the bill for fall season baseball, Freshman baseball, and their Southern tour. It's all needed for a successful team. . . It seems as though Westfield State was a success at the Mass. State College Swim Meet. . . The Women's Soccer Team, which ended with a 7-3 record this past fall, is ready to start spring soccer after March break. There are 3 new captains: Mimi Gleason, Maggie Tolland, and Lydia Wallary; to help the team since they are expecting a large turnout. . . "What a ski trip", exclaimed Charlie Buckley, president of the ski club, about their trip to Mt. Snow this past Saturday. . . The team to beat this year for Westfield State's Varsity Baseball Team will be University of New Haven (best team in N.E. in every division), and Eastern Connecticut.

Did you know that in 1976 the Baseball team held the record for most victories on the road, and tied it again in 1978? The record is twenty games. . . The women's Intramural Volley Ball Champions this year were the High Flyers. . . The Street Hockey Rosters are due Tuesday, March 20, at 6 pm. There is a 12 player limit. The teams provide their own sticks. Also, there is a managers meeting on Monday, March 26th, at 6:30 p.m. in Wilson Aud. . . Ding, ding, ding. . . well, wrestling fans, it's the end of a running one.

Sports

Baseball Begins Fine Season

By Laurie Innalle

Where was the Westfield State College Varsity Baseball Team this past March break? The team was on their southern tour where they challenged various colleges to a game of baseball. The tour went from March 10th to March 20th and was quite a success!

It started with their game against the University of District of Columbia being rained out so, the following day they played an exhibition game against Georgetown University, in Washington, D.C. The Owls came through with a 4-0 victory!

The next scheduled game was at Norfolk State College, but this was once again rained out. The team went on to lose against Virginia Wesleyan College, in Norfolk, Va., yet they were leading by 4 runs and lost 5-4 in the 11th inning.

The team's spirits were kept high though as they went on to win a doubleheader against North Carolina Wesleyan College, the first game turned out a score of 8-3 and the second game, even a bigger win with an 11-4 score. Another rain-out was in store for the team as they were scheduled for a single game against North Carolina Wesleyan College.

The weather began to look brighter for the Owls at this point as there wasn't another rain-out for the remainder of the tour. Atlantic Christian College was next with the Owls conquering over them in 2 games. The scores were a big 14-2 in the first game and then Atlantic Christian got tough and passed over the second game with a score of 7-3.

St. Andrews Presbyterian College came up in the schedule again, this time ready for the Owls. The Owls played an exciting doubleheader, but lost the first game, after a 5 run lead, 7-6 and lost the second game with a tighter score of 2-0.

Only 4 more games to go before returning to their home field. The first 2 games, the Owls were up against the University of Maryland at Eastern Shore and beat them in both rounds with scores of 12-1 and a shut-out of 9-1. Delaware State College didn't have much success against the Owls either as they lost both games with scores of 11-4 and 7-3.

Now it was time to head back to Westfield State. With only 3 days of rest the Owls were scheduled for a doubleheader against Mass. Maritime Academy. This past Saturday was the date of that game and this past Saturday the Owls upped their season's record to 12 wins and 3 losses, beating Mass. Maritime in both games. The score of the first game was 16-3 and the second game, a little closer but not by much, was 8-3.

There were quite a few outstanding players during this work-out. One, David Bevan, a 3rd baseman and a junior here at Westfield State, hit 2 homeruns and a double during the game at Delaware and 3 homeruns in the first game against Mass. Maritime and another double. He went 4 for 4 with 7 runs batted in. Bevan's batting average is .423. So far this season he has had 7 homers and 16RBI's.

Other standouts have been Joe Seckler, hitting .435 with 17 RBI's; Mike Ciampa, .445 with 15 stolen bases; Alex Marcl .400; Kevin Moore, .375, and John Veneziano hitting .415.

The pitching has been good too, with Butch LaMagdelaine going 3-0 and Jim Devaney going 2-0.

Yes, the Westfield State Baseball team is in for another successful season. With statistics likethese in 15 games, let's hope they keep up the winning spirit for the next 30 games. Westfield State may see another victory at the Mass. State College Conference and the '79 team named again to the NCAA tour!

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Westfield Hockey - Owls on the Rampage!

Coach Holubowich the whole team when ... plays Division II ... has talent right along ... though the team has had some tough breaks as far as injuries they are versatile enough to pick up the ... Jimmy Collins who was top scorer for the team last semester and Captain Curt Everett was out for the Elm game and was replaced by Mike Shields, yet the team still played a strong competitive game. Not only are the boys devoted to their sport but they go by the rule that academics comes first. Unfortunately the team does not get the monetary attention they deserve from Westfield State. The money just isn't there and fund-raising is an extra effort that could be put to use in other areas. All the state schools have this problem although some, like Salem State, have the luxury of their own rink. Westfield does have the support of their fans though, and they can be credited with the big wins at A.I.C. and Salem.

The outlook for next season looks good. The team should have equal strength and more experience. There is only one vital player that will be leaving, Curt Everett (goalie) and as in the Elmira game Mike Sheilds should be the right replacement. The games to be watched will once again be A.I.C. which seems to the rival as they have been a Division II power and Holy Cross, in the tournament.

"A case of two excellent teams playing excellent hockey. It came down to who got the right breaks" said Holubowich. Now the team has high hopes for the play-offs, which will be on March 3, tentatively against Norwich. The team hopes that they'll get the right breaks.

Bit and Pieces

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W.S.C. girl's soccer had a meeting Tuesday, March 20th and 57 girls attended. During the first practice there was a show of 58 girls and on the following practice the total went up to 62 girls. After the final cuts for softball the team is expecting even a better turnout. If this interest keeps up, Westfield State may have 2 separate teams receiving the title of Westfield State Women's Soccer Team. Hopefully, this fall the club may become a varsity team sport... Don't forget to attend the Lacrosse team's first game against Babson College. That will be March 31st, at 10:30 a.m., on the turf. They need your support!...Softball rosters are due Monday, April 2nd and please inquire about the men co-rec softball tournament coming in late April...On a trial basis only for the 1979 season; "To make an exception in the eligibility rules: article 1, section 3- for any intramural street hockey team, to be allowed...one (1)...varsity hockey, j.v. hockey, freshmen hockey, varsity field hockey, j.v./freshmen field hockey player on their respective team"...There is a shortage of sports reporters! In fact, there don't seem to be any at all. If you are interested in reporting on the sports events at this school stop on at the Owl office. If you happen to be a member of a spring sports team and would like to see information about your team in the paper then contact the sports editor. You may either write it up yourself or hand in the info. It would be a great help...Ding,Ding,Ding. Well, wrestling fans that's it for round two, and the rats are winning!

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Women's Soccer may become a varsity sport

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WSC's Sheila Madden Climbs in Karate

By David Schildmeier

MARCH 1979

Sheila Madden is an artist, but not one that draws or sculpts. Sheila Madden is a martial Artist, and she is on her way to becoming a champion.

On Saturday, March 3, 1979 Madden placed second in the New Hampshire State Karate Championship in Kata (a routine of moves comparable to floor exercise in gymnastics). She was one of forty women, of all belts, who competed for the title. Last Saturday, March 24, she took first place in the New Hampshire State Karate Championships in Kata where she competed against both men and women.

Madden began her training in the martial arts over three years ago when Master Kalli Kano Griffin of the Iron Dragon school of Kenpo Kung Fu offered an eight week course in the Third World room. "I had some experience in Karate before, but nothing like what Master Griffin was teaching," says Madden.

What began as just something to pass the time, developed into an obsession as she became more involved in the Kenpo program. Leo Williams, a second degree black belt under Griffin, took over the program at Westfield and also took a special interest in Sheila Madden who was one of the few women in the class.

Madden worked hard and long and earned her yellow belt under Williams. She competed in the 1977 Candian Open and Jay Parks Karate Tournaments in Kata. She didn't place in either of the tournaments, but she gained valuable experience. "I learned how to concentrate, how to block the crowd out of my mind and do my form as if I were alone in the dojo."

Madden continued to push and strive for perfection in the months that followed. She'd spend hours of her time, outside of regular classes, working on her techniques and going through the moves of her Kata. She'd also spend extra time at the school in Springfield working out with Master Griffin's top students.

In May of 1978, the hard work began to pay off. Madden took first place in Kata at Master Grdfin's United States Karate Association Invitational Tournament, she followed this with another first place in the New Hampshire Shukan Karate Tournament. Sheila was starting to come into her own. Her teacher seemed to agree and promoted her to green belt.

In the beginning of this year Madden continued her success. She placed third in the Dundalk Karate Tournament and followed that two weeks later with another third place in the Silver Springs TKA Tournament both in Maryland.

Karate means more than competition and trophies to Madden who uses karate, "as a release of tension and a way to relax. It gives me confidence, helps me to grow." She respects Master Griffin greatly and gives him most of the credit for her success. "Master Griffin is the greatest teacher I have ever had, in school or anywhere else. The man has so much knowledge, so much to give."

Sheila Madden is by no means one dimensional. "Karate is a big part of my life, but not everything to me." She is a senior Criminal Justice major and is currently doing her field practice at the Springfield District Court. She is not positive about her CJ career, but eventually would like to work in probation.

Lacrosse Wins

Scott Cerrone

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The WSC Lacrosse team inflicted a severe blow to the morale of the University of Hartford on Saturday by defeating them 11-11. The win now gives the OWLS a 1 win 2 loss record in their 13 game season. The attack led by Mike Fay with his extrodinary 6 goal, double hat trick was an inspiration to his team mates. Other goals were scored by Paul Hartford, Peter Larsen, John Moran, and Mike Habel.

The second half saw a lot of second team action, which gave Coach Gongas a chance to look at his team's overall strengths and depth. The demoralized U. of Hartford team in their final efforts scored on an open cage due to a stolen ball in the last 27 seconds of the game. Regardless of the agonizing stolen ball goal, goal tender, Tom Maheau thwarted off his foes with a thrilling 18 saves.

1978-1979

Street Hockey: The Game Still Thrives

By Jeff Connell

Springtime means putting restless tennis raquets and dusty baseball mitts back into action. Yet drop by the college gym some evening and you'll see that hockey pucks are still flying at Westfield State.

Intramural indoor street hockey excitement is bound to capture your interest as a large number of teams face off in both the men's and women's leagues.

Street hockey has been played for year, however it popularity skyrocketed and attained epidemic proprortions in the early 1970's. The enthusiasm in the Boston area in particular was instigated in those days by the success of Bobby Orr and the "big, bad Bruins," who were terrorizing the National Hockey League and making mincemeat out of their opponents.

They did it with a cooperative combination of style, toughness and charisma, and all those Bruin qualities were soon to be emulated in the streets in staggering numbers. Y'know? It wasn't that long ago.

The same kids who would have given up Christmas for a Boston Garden hockey ticket were looking around the city and seeing that ice was expensive and scarce. Or perhaps it just wasn't cold enough for the flooded tennis courts to freeze over. There had to be an answer, and the street was it. But instead of pocket knives, kids were carrying Cooper Superblades.

A whole line of street hockey equipment followed. A special goaltender's mask designed for street hockey even appeared on the market. The mask was inevitably worn by the fattest kid in the neighborhood or the one with the bulkiest clothing (street hockey's answer to Ken Dryden). It would soon have imaginary stiches magic-markered all over it just like Boston goalie Gerry Cheevers' facesaver.

All of Orr's spectacular moves and shifts were imitated in the street without, of course, those powerful yet magical strides. Steel blade and ice never met in the street.

On so much asphalt and concrete you would see a Derek Sanderson sweep-check, a Phil Esposito "snap-shot," and many a "Pie McKenzie elbow to the jowls."

These plastic street hockey blades would (and still do, as you can see in the gym) attach neatly onto a sawed-off ice hockey stick which had broken. Then you could beat them over an obscene curve to form a banana curve (who needs a backhand anyway?). Wow, maybe now a slap-shot like Bobby Hull's! It seemed some plastic would always drip off the overheated blade all over the stove, and the resulting smell meant potential disruption of the family peace. "Well, uh, it's part of the game."

Shot after shot, the spark of plastic against asphalt, and soon the blade would wear down to a sliver. You'd wait until the blade was practically non-existent, or least unplayable, rather than go through the goddamn stove routine again.

There was the whole new thrill when plastic street hockey pucks were available, and designed to glide over asphalt. Funny, it seemed they always rolled more than glided, often into a gaping sewer hole in the curb, which appeared to smile back at kids menacingly after devouring yet another puck or ball.

It seemed as though slap-shots were always taking off. Way over the crossbar and "Oh-oh, its gonna go through Riley's kitchen (Crash)...window. For chrissake I told ya we shouldda used the tennis ball."

Here at WSC the action is indoors. Okay, maybe we should call it floor hockey. There are a few more rules now. There are no windows to break, though, no cars to elude, and the wooden floor is a hell of a lot softer than concrete. Yet our WSC gym could be anywhere—a paved park or a street in Boston, a beach parking lot in the Cape Cod off-season, or the Forum in Montreal.

Yes, we're here at WSC, and many of us who grew up with street hockey are still at it. If growing up means getting rid of the Notchland Pro with its ninth Superblade then forget it!

For some of us it's more than just a super game and a workout...it's a link with the past.

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Baseball Starts Well

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Anytime a player gets up to bat seven times and comes away with seven hits, one would consider that fairly sucessful. Well how about going seven for seven; including four straight home runs, (five altogether) and two doubles! Dave Bevan (Danvers) had such a streak. In one game alone (vs. Mass. Maritime Academy 3/24), Bevan went four for four, three home runs and a double, good for seven rbi's. Bevan now has seven home runs, 18 rbi's, six doubles good for a .426 average, 47 total bases and a 1000 slugging percentage. Bevan's team hasn't let him go alone; senior captian Joe Seckler (Pittsfield) is leading the club with a solid .464 average with five doubles and two home runs good for 14 runs batted in. Centerfielder Mike Ciampa (reading) is hitting .383 with six extra base hits and a 15 for 15 mark in stolen bases. Senior catcher Alex Masel (Somerville) is hitting .400 with 12 rbi's, John Veneziano (Medford) the teams DH is hitting .426 with 13 bases on balls. Junior catcher Tome-Vatcher (Swampscott) is hitting .462 with 11 bases on balls; nine of them coming in a row (a possible college record).

This years' Southern Trip was marked by rain, and inconsistant pitching. Although five games were rained out, Westfield was able to play 13, winning 10 of them. Of the three losses, two came late in the games with the OWLS leading. The first game against Virginia Wesleyan (in Norfolk) the OWLS gave up a four run lead to lose in the 11th, 5-4. Freshmen Steve Joseph (Agawam) and Tom Zona (Worcester) looked very strong in their initial outings for the Baseball OWLS. Senior Captain Butch LaMagdelaine now has a 3-0 record with a fine ERA of 2.10. Although Jim Devaney was slow to come around, he is expected to be one of the leading pitchers for the OWLS this season. Junior lefthander Mark Spencer has begun to come back from serious arm problems also.

9 walks in a row. Is it a school record?

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